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Onieda county mourns tragic loss of firefighter

Bradley Golden, son of Physical Plant employee and 2001 graduate of Clinton Central High School, dies in training exercise

by Christopher LaRosa '03
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Bradley Golden, 19, died in a Lairdsville Volunteer Fire Department training exercise Tuesday night. Bradley was the son of Michael Golden, a 12 year Physical Plant employee known to current students for his post in and around the McEwen dining hall.

The exercise in which Golden died was a practice structure fire drill on Route 5 in Westmoreland in an abandoned building located west of the intersection of Routes 233 and 5, only a few miles from campus.

The practice was one of a series conducted in the abandoned building, which was slated for demolition later this fall said Assistant Chief of the Westmoreland Fire Department and Safety Officer of the Westmoreland Fire District Robert Walsh.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LAROSA '03

Bradley Golden's car remains outside the Lairdsville Fire Station Wednesday afternoon following his tragic death Tuesday evening.

Lairdsville Volunteer Fire Department Officers planned a mattress fire on the first floor of the building and a container fire on the second floor of the building to simulate a fire call. The 20-30 member fire department holds similar training exercises on a weekly basis said Walsh. During this exercise, however, an unexpected fire flash trapped Golden and two other firefighters on the second floor.

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Hamilton will host Regional Peace Studies Conference on Saturday

by Sarah M. Gould '05
NEWS WRITER

At a regional consortium being held on campus this Saturday, Sept. 29, area colleges will gather to discuss and debate the issue of peace. Colgate University, Cornell Univerity, SUNY Brockport, SUNY Oswego, and Syracuse University are among several other schools that will participate in this annual event in which scholars and students combine to discuss war, peace, and terrorism.

Professors from Peace Studies programs around the tri-state area will congregate at Hamilton in an effort to shed light on the broad topic of peace, as well as the recent disasters in New York City and Washington D.C. "It just didn't seem to be possible to gather these distinguished people together without talking about the event," Professor of Sociology Kirsten Paap said.

Guest lecturers include two faculty members from the US Army War College who will shed light upon the justification for calling the recent events "war." Because of their military background and training, they will also talk about the military's role in the peacekeeping process. This includes attempting to answer the imposing question of how the government can retrain military officials to keep the peace.

Mia Bloom, a professor at

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Increased number of alcohol poisoning cases raise doctor's concern at local hospital

by Sarah Karalunas '04
NEWS EDITOR

Four students went to the hospital to be treated for some degree of alcohol poisoning this past weekend; fourteen have been taken so far this year. A doctor from Saint Luke's Hospital in Utica called Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty David Paris last weekend to express concern over the number of Hamilton students who have come to the hospital to be treated for alcohol poisoning, said President Eugene Tobin. Paris's office declined an interview.

The number of serious alcohol related calls Campus Safety has received so far this year almost equals the number throughout all of last year said Wayne Genteel, the night supervisor for Campus Safety. "The number of calls overall, for parties, noise, or medical emergencies doesn't compare to last year," said Genteel.

The majority of calls so far this year have come from the north side of campus, specifically South, Carnegie, and Dunham, Genteel added.

Genteel, who described last year as "very quiet," attributes the increased number of calls to this year's freshmen class. "The college hasn't changed that much in one year. It's the people that change every year," said Genteel.

When someone calls the EMTs to aid a student who is suffering from alcohol poisoning, the call is also dispatched to Campus Safety. Campus Safety's role, says Genteel, is not to "get people in trouble," but to aid the EMTs if the person in need of medical attention becomes belligerent and to dispel crowds. Campus Safety officers also carry the medical equipment in their vans. "We don't question the patient. We aren't there to get anyone in trouble. We're there because we carry the medical equipment and for crowd control. I wouldn't want people standing around staring at me," said Genteel.

After each call that Campus Safety responds to, the officers involved write a report, which is then sent to Residential Life, the Presidents Office. Genteel stresses that this is standard procedure for all Campus Safety calls and that the reports are not used to punish students. "They might get a call from ResLife, but it's mainly to check-up on how they're doing. If it's the same person five or six times, that's different, but even then the main concern in an alcohol problem," said Genteel.

In an effort to reduce the amount of drinking on campus, Campus Safety officers are trying to increase their visibility

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EPA Chairwomen selected to speak at Commencement

by Sarah Karalunas '04
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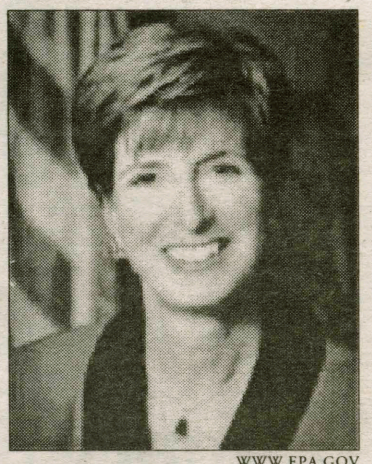
Christine Todd Whitman will speak at Hamilton's Commencement Ceremony this Spring. Whitman most recently gained national attention when she was appointed head of the Environmental Protection Agency by President George W. Bush. Before her EPA appointment Whitman served 7 years as Governor of New Jersey.

A committee comprised of trustees, faculty, and students chose Whitman after one of the trustees suggested her as a possible speaker. "She's a very good speaker and very knowledgeable," said Lauren Reynolds '02, a member of the committee.

Reynolds pointed out that Hamilton sometimes has trouble attracting Commencement speakers. ""It's hard to get people because Hamilton policy is that we don't pay them," said Reynolds '02.

Whitman, a moderate Republican, has been described in the press as an "anathema to her own party's right wing." As governor, Whitman vetoed a bill outlawing partial birth abortions.



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Christine Todd Whitman

She is also a supporter of gay rights and opposes school prayer. During her terms as governor New Jersey's air, land, and water quality greatly improved. As Governor Whitman signed repeated tax cut measures and "Megan's Law" in effect.

Whitman holds a B.A. in government from Wheaton College. Whitman is a mother of two children, Kate and Taylor, both in their early 30s, she is married to John R. Whitman.

Other students on the committee include Maurice Michaane '03 and Senior Class Representative Katie Connor '02. President Eugene Tobin also sits on the committee.

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Vaughan receives AREA grant to fund study of motor control

by Elizabeth Walczak '05
NEWS WRITER

Most of us find it hard to imagine living without the full use of our limbs. Simple, yet absolutely necessary movements such as lifting, reaching and grabbing do not pose problems for us.

For some, however, this is not the case; only with the aid of science and technology can they accomplish these seemingly normal tasks with some degree of ease. Extensive research makes this possible, and Professor of Psychology, Jonathan Vaughan, is a part of it. Vaughan was awarded the competitive Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) grant from the National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Strokes, one of the government's Institutes of Health. The grant is worth $138,000 over the course of 3 years. Vaughan will use the grant to continue research that he and his students have conducted concerning the development and use of software for research and teaching in motor control and behavioral psychology.

An important goal of the project is, as Vaughan says, "to add to the store of basic knowledge we have of how the brain works." The findings will also be used in testing people in industrial designs, such as plane cockpits. Disabled people will also benefit greatly, because the results will help in creating effective prosthetic limbs.

Vaughan has been working for at least ten years on the study of movement, or as he says, "how we reach for the salt without spilling the milk," and this summer began research at Hamilton with students. The goal of the research this summer was to further develop and test a two-dimensional model of motor planning, the "Posture-Based Model," designed to simulate how people perform such actions as reaching and grasping, with and without obstacles. Vaughan, along with students Jennifer Canale '03, Mary Beatrice Dias '04, Kimberly Lantz '03, and Nickeshia Thomas '03, designed a computer program to do many of the same things the brain does. They then gave tasks to a simulated stick figure model, teaching it the most human ways to accomplish them. The grant will help to continue this research and allow them to develop a more effective three-dimensional model and workplace.

By developing a three-dimensional model, Vaughan hopes to make the model more realistic and more useful for making progress in human movement. His research will continue for the next three years, primarily during the summers. "Research will be continued throughout the school year, but given the pace of academic life, the summer is an even better time. Then we can put aside everything and work on the research," said Vaughan.

Kim Lantz, a student majoring in psychology who worked with Vaughan last summer, called him "absolutely brilliant" and said that she is "glad [she] had a chance to work with him."

She said that the research will "help people who have disabled limbs figure out alternatives for how to perform tasks." Having been involved in research will also help Lantz get into graduate school.

This complex research is not being taken on by Professor Vaughan and his students alone. It is a collaborative project in three parts. David Rosenbaum, a professor at Pennsylvania State University, has taken on the part focusing on the application of the research and the underlying theory. Ruud Meulenbroek of the Nijmegen Institute for Cognition and Action in the Netherlands is focusing on actions such as grasping. Hamilton's Professor Vaughan is dealing mainly with the computation and how the model is being developed on the computer. "Science is collaborative and international," said Vaughan.

The group usually communicates via the Internet, however they also make trips to and from the Netherlands.

Vaughan says that the research is "an opportunity for students to get involved in research, which is helpful with careers and getting into graduate schools."

Opportunities like these distinguish Hamilton programs from other schools," he adds.

Performance looks at "absurdities of being male"

by Rebecca Fabricant '03
NEWS WRITER

Members of the Hamilton and local community gathered in the Events Barn on Tuesday, Sept. 25 for a funny and often moving one-man show performed by Chris Kilmartin. *Crimes Against Nature* takes a sharp and frequently hilarious look at the absurdities and contradictions of growing up male in America.

Men Advocating Change, a group that formed halfway through the Spring 2001 semester, organized the program. The group learned about *Crimes Against Nature* from Dean Nancy Thompson whose husband had seen the performer at Colgate University. The President's Office, Dean of Students Office, Student Assembly, CAB, Kirkland Endowment, Kirkland Project, and Counseling and Psychological Service all sponsored the event.

"It was really funny, but underlying the humor, there were also some interesting and serious points made," said David Kolb '02, a member of Men Advocating Change.

In his performance, Kilmartin talks about what it is like to be a male growing up in American culture, which is marked by patriarchy and limited views of masculinity. Kilmartin explores the major and not so major milestones of human experience through the eyes of a boy, an adolescent, a young man and finally a grown man. He talks about bar fights, dating, homophobia, pornography, death, the army, and sports.

At one point in the performance Kilmartin criticizes the romantic comedy *What Women Want*. "Mel Gibson dresses as a woman to find out what women want. Why doesn't he just ask them?!" he asks.

Kilmartin is a chameleon. One minute he is the 8th grade boy struggling to understand sex in his very traditional Catholic school, and the next, a young boy forced by his mother to wear a dress for Halloween. We see him as a baseball player's son who unfortunately is afraid of baseballs, then as a grown man awash with feelings of love, anger, and regret over the loss of his father, who has been dead for several years. With his wide range and comedic talent, Kilmartin brings the audience along for an exhilarating ride

From the beginning of the show, Kilmartin stresses that he is no artist, no actor, no expert, no hero: "This isn't going to be some kind of lovey-dovey, sensitive, new age or metaphysical talk." Despite his bravado, there is a touching sensitivity to his performance.

Kilmartin stresses that the concept of masculinity is a powerful and burdensome thing. He observes that all you have to do is challenge a man's masculinity, and you're in a fight. This burden is the crime against nature that gives the performance its title. Through personal vignettes he explores the question of when and how a person knows that he is a man. Most importantly, he suggests, to become fully a man is to transcend rigid notions of masculinity.

Number of hate crimes reported to CAIR in three days twice the number reported in all of 2000

by Chris Takacs '05
NEWS WRITER

In the days and weeks immediately following the WTC bombing, instances of racially motivated hate crimes against people of Asian and Middle-Eastern descent in the US have increased exponentially.

In the year 2000, the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR) received a total of 600 reports of attacks and harassment. It has received over 300 reports of racial abuse in just three days (from Tuesday to Thursday).

Ibrahim Hooper, national communications director for CAIR, reported a "case where a Copt [a member of a sect of Christianity], an Egyptian Copt, a Christian, was probably killed because he looked like he could be a Muslim. So bigots are never brain surgeons. I mean, when they do these things it's based on ignorance."

The attacks reported to CAIR range from violent attacks to verbal abuse. A man was shot in the head with a BB gun while leaving a Mosque in New York. A man was run off the road by another car in Fairfax, Virginia (while going to donate blood no less). Arab-owned businesses across the country have been broken into, looted and firebombed. Mosques in Denton and Irving Texas have been firebombed, along with a Molotov cocktail attack on a Hindu shrine in Matawan, New Jersey. People of Middle-Eastern descent have complained about being fired from their jobs soon after the WTC attacks.

Many Sikhs have reported being targets of hate crimes simply because of their turbans and beards. A 52 year-old Indian Sikh was shot dead outside a Chevron station that he owned in Mesa, Arizona. "Our appearance looks like Osama bin Laden and those of Afghanistan, but we are different people from Muslim people," said friend of the deceased Suminder Sodhi. "We have different beliefs, a different religion." Soon after the 52 year-old man was shot, shots were also fired in a Mobil station down the road, but nobody was injured. The owners of the Mobil station are Arabic.

In Lincoln Park, Michigan, a 45 year-old US citizen originally from Yemen was shot 12 times in the back by his girlfriend's former lover, who allegedly told the man, "I'm going to kill you for what happened in New York and DC." The attacker has fully confessed his crime to the police.

The attacks are not limited to the United States. Some of the more viscous cases have come from Europe. A 19 year-old Asian girl was beaten about the head by two men with baseball bats in Swindon, West England. In London, an Afghani man was dragged from his taxicab and beaten by three men who made comments about the WTC bombing. The man is now paralyzed from the neck down. In South Shields, Northeast England, red graffiti was sprayed near a Mosque reading "Avenge U.S.A. Kill a Muslim Now."

In Copenhagen, a man was arrested minutes before he was going to hurl petrol bombs at a Mosque. He reportedly told the gas station attendant at the station where he bought the petrol, "Now I am going to do the Americans a favor." Other Mosques across Europe have been targeted, some of them destroyed.

Yousouf Bhailok, secretary of the Muslim Council of Britain, told CNN the situation was "worrying" and could get far worse. "There is a Europe-wide organization called White Knight, a successor to Combat 18 [the 18 comes from the corresponding letters of the initials of Adolf Hitler; 1=A, 8=H], which takes as its patron saint Santiago Matamorosa, famed for slaying Muslims. Unfortunately President Bush and [British Prime Minister] Tony Blair send out mixed signals on this. On the one hand they visit mosques to show their support, on the other Bush talks about a 'crusade,' a word with connotations of a religious bloodbath."

IVORY TOWERS

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

Compiled by Will Fuhrman '04

U. Maryland students killed in tornado were inseparable sisters

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Colleen and Erin Marlatt had just finished class for the day. The sisters, who did everything together, stopped by the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute on Monday to see their father. After the two visited the office where Colleen had worked for three years, he escorted them to their car.

Little did he know the storm would change his life.

Three minutes after kissing his daughters goodbye and sending them on their way, Marlatt, the assistant director of the institute, found himself buried under a pile of rubble. A tornado had hit the University of Maryland campus and in its wrath destroyed the trailers housing the MFRI.

After being stuck in the collapsed building for more than 45 minutes, Marlatt was taken to the Washington Hospital Center where he was treated for minor cuts and bruises.

Dr. Clifford Turen, a longtime family friend, rushed to the hospital to check on Marlatt. At the hospital, they learned the tornado had killed two campus students. Marlatt had been in contact with his wife, who told him their daughters had not returned home yet. Turen said Marlatt realized at that moment those students were his daughters.

"He was in disbelief," Turen said.

Approximately 700 U. Maryland students homeless after tornado

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. — University of Maryland students living in the privately owned University Courtyard apartments expressed their frustration Tuesday night after being told they would not be able to return to their apartments for days, maybe even weeks, after a tornado ripped through the complex Monday evening, breaking windows, destroying roofs and taking out electricity.

"We did not call the tornado to come to the University Courtyard," said Ryan Holmes, executive vice president of Ambling Companies, the company that owns the Courtyard. "Ambling is doing what it can."

None of the apartments in the Courtyard have power, phone or data connections and officials do not know when students will be allowed to go back to their apartments. None of the more than 700 residents are allowed to pick up any belongings from their apartments or move their cars from the lot. Only medication and other necessary items can be retrieved.

Yale faces historic connections to slavery, present calls for reparations

(U-WIRE) NEW HAVEN, Conn. — The pews at Center Church on the Green were occupied but not nearly full, holding at most 200 people in a building that can seat many times that number. The crowd, mixed in age, race, and occupation, was interested but only sometimes passionate — applauding on cue for the speakers but rising to a cheer less consistently; taking just a few tentative-to-tempered turns at the open mic before giving the floor back to the pulpit for closing words from the Rev. Scott Marks.

His words, however, bespoke the ardor of what could come: "If we stand together we will win this fight!" It is a fight with terms still being outlined, but with a term already defined: reparations, amends for Yale University's perhaps lingering, perhaps illusory ties to slavery.

Less than a rally but more than a lecture, the Sept. 7 town meeting — Yale, slavery and abolition: the impact on education then and now — was a first step, a feeling out. It was a first step for a group of New Havenites — grad students, local clergy, political activists, unionized workers — who feel compelled to make Yale take its own steps toward reparations. It was a feeling out for a group of New Havenites — undergrads, average citizens, the kind and quantity of people that a movement needs to become a movement.

WORLD NEWS

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Europeans crack down on terrorists

PARIS (AP) — In a coordinated effort to crack down on terror cells, police across Europe have arrested at least 20 people and shadowed dozens of others, piecing together the first clues of what may be a network of terror stretching across the continent and beyond.

Many of the suspects are believed to have links to Osama bin Laden, the suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 terror attacks in the United States, authorities said. Some allegedly trained in camps in Afghanistan. Others are believed to have plotted attacks on American interests in Europe — including the U.S. Embassy in Paris. No one has tied any of the suspects in Europe to the Sept. 11 attacks, but some were linked to one another. Spanish officials announced Wednesday that six Algerians with connections to other suspects had been detained.

Spanish Interior Minister Mariano Rajoy said the arrests marked "the collaboration against terrorism between all countries, particularly in this case between the countries of the European Union."

Spanish authorities said some of the Algerians had been in contact with one of the first terror suspects rounded up in Europe after the U.S. attacks — Nizar Trabelsi, a Tunisian arrested Sept. 13 in Belgium.

"We contacted Belgium and said, 'Hey, the guy you arrested was in Spain on such and such a date and met with these guys," Madrid Police Chief Juan Cotino said.

"That's how the link emerged."

Trabelsi was planning a suicide attack against U.S. targets on the continent, Cotino said.

Other arrests have taken place in Britain and France. But just how much information they have provided about the larger European terror network is still unclear and it will take more time to piece together a fuller picture, terrorism experts say.

Attempted coup fails in Anjouan

MUTSAMUDU, Comoros (AP) — A members of the military junta that took power on the breakaway island of Anjouan last month said Tuesday that a coup attempt was thwarted the day before.

"Everything is calm, those who tried to stage a coup have fled, and there have been no deaths or injuries," Halidy Harif said by telephone from the island in the Comoros archipelago.

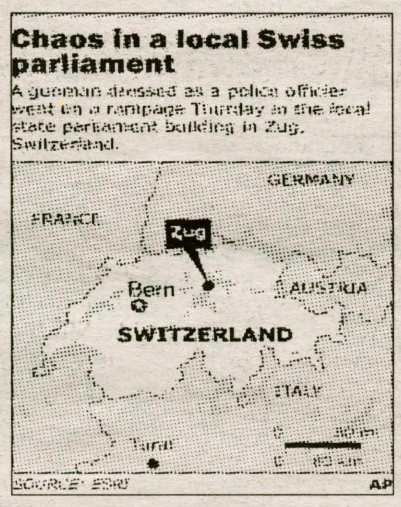
Harif, Mohamed Bakar and Hassane Ali Toilhat, all officers in the national police, took power after an Aug. 9 coup that ousted the island's self-proclaimed president, Lt. Col. Said Abeid Abderemanein.

Harif said Monday's coup attempt — the second in a month — was launched by disgruntled officers led by Combo Ayubar, a native of Anjouan who is an officer in the Comorian army based on Grande Comoro island. He said Ayubar fled.

Anjouan declared independence from the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros in August 1997.

Man kills 14 at Swiss legislature

ZUG, Switzerland (AP) — A man enraged with local officials opened fire with an assault rifle and tossed a grenade in a crowded state legislature before shooting himself Thursday. Switzerland's worst-ever shooting spree left 15 people dead, including the gunman.



The rampage by Friedrich Leibacher, a 57-year-old Zurich resident, killed three members of the canton of Zug's seven-member government, as well as 11 of its 80 lawmakers. Fourteen officials were seriously injured, including government chief Hanspeter Uster, who was shot through a lung.

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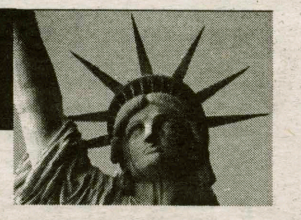
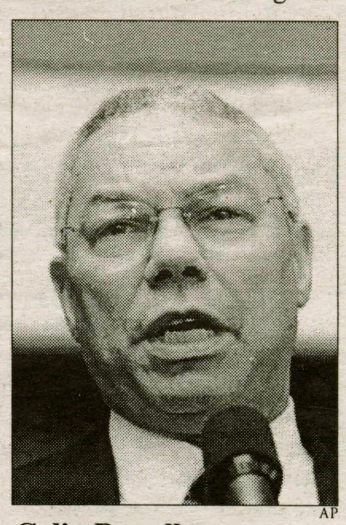


State Dept.: No war on Islam

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declining to embrace the claim of Italy's leader that Islamic culture is inferior to Western civilization, the State Department said Thursday the fight against terrorism "is not a clash against Islam or Arabs."


AP
Colin Powell

Spokesman Richard Boucher, responding to the remarks of Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, expressed support for Islamic governments which "want to move forward into the modern world."

"This is about freedom, not culture," Boucher said, adding that the goal is to work "against violence and terror" and against those who would seek "to disrupt the peace and freedom for others."

Bush plans federal control of security

CHICAGO (AP) — President Bush asked the nation's governors to post National Guard troops at airports Thursday as a first step to take federal control of airline security and coax Americans back into the skies. "This nation will not live in fear," he said.

Bush's plan envisions stationing 4,000-5,000 troops at the nation's 420 commercial airports for up to six months while the federal government prepares to step in. Also, many more in-flight air marshals would be trained and a federal agency would be set up to oversee the screening of passengers and luggage.

The president announced his program at a pep-rally style event at O'Hare International Airport 16 days after suicide hijackers slammed jetliners into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

He urged the crowd not to give terrorism a victory by staying on the ground. "Get on the airlines, get about the business of America," Bush said. "Fly and enjoy America's great destination spots."

He said nine of his Cabinet secretaries would travel the country on commercial flights on Friday to show Americans that they, too, can feel comfortable boarding airplanes again.

Bush authorized $500 million in grants to the airlines to strengthen cockpit doors and study technology that would allow air traffic controllers to take control of a plane if the pilot was incapacitated.

Jobless claims hit nine-year high

WASHINGTON (AP) — New claims for unemployment benefits rocketed to a nine-year high last week as the terror attacks started showing up in national economic statistics.

The claims are certain to go higher yet, analysts say, as the effects of layoffs and lost business spread.

Separately, the Conference Board in New York said Thursday that newspaper want ads, a key barometer of the job market and the economy, had sunk to an 18-year low in August, even before the attacks.

In Washington, the Labor Department reported that for the work week ending Sept. 22, new jobless claims jumped by a seasonally adjusted 58,000, to 450,000, the highest level since July 25, 1992.

Economists believe the increase shows only the first wave of layoffs stemming from the Sept. 11 attacks against the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. For the work week ending Sept. 15, claims actually fell because stunned workers, trying to get their bearings, didn't get around to filing for jobless benefits, analysts said.

Since the attacks, more than 100,000 layoffs have been announced in the airlines and related industries.

Stan Shipley, economist at Merrill Lynch, predicted that jobless claims will soar to more than 500,000 in the next few months.

Columnist Sam Fulwood III speaks as part of Public Affairs Journalism lecture series

by Katrina Lexa '05
NEWS WRITER

Sam Fulwood III, columnist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer and author of *Waking from the Dream: My Life in the Black Middle Class,* spoke on campus Monday about his experiences as a journalist.

"What the journalist does is write the first draft of history," said Fulwood. He said that it was the media that defined the facts surrounding what happened on September 11, 2001.

"Within seconds you knew, or could have known, what happened. Within minutes, you saw it. Within an hour, you'd seen it hundreds of times. Within a week you'd seen it so many time you had nightmares," said Fulwood. He added that the information, and the speed at which it reaches people, changed the way the country is mobilizing after this event, as opposed to Pearl Harbor. After Pearl Harbor, said Fulwood, people were unable to see real footage of the bombing until weeks had passed and the film reels came out in the movie theaters. "There's a direct link between our understanding of history and what I do every day," said Fulwood.

Throughout his lecture, Fulwood shared many anecdotes from his childhood in Charlotte, North Carolina in the 1960s and '70s. He knew from an early age that he did not want to be a preacher, like his father, or a teacher, like his mother; he wanted a job where he could wear a necktie. After graduating as coeditor of his high school newspaper, Fulwood felt he was ready to be a professional journalist. He walked into the office of Jim Batten, the editor-in-chief of the Charlotte Observer, and told him that he was interested in working at the newspaper. Batten told him that the newspaper only hired "college graduates with five years of experience and at least two Pulitzer Prizes."

Fulwood vowed to eventually meet the criteria, but had to settle for working at a shirt shop over the summer. Midway through the summer, however, he received a phone call from Batten, who said that he remembered Fulwood's ambition and had a job for him as a copy boy.

By August 9, 1974 Fulwood was ready to quit. He had tired of the harassment from the editors for not bringing them the right teletype copy or not fixing them the right kind of coffee. "In news rooms today everything is orderly and manageable. In those days, people threw typewriters out windows, they yelled, and they threw coffee at the copy boys," said Fulwood.

Fulwood changed his mind about quitting later that day when he arrived at work and saw the headline "NIXON RESIGNS" in sixty-point type. Nixon had not resigned yet, but the newspaper knew that he would. Shocked, Fulwood asked Batton how the newspaper could know about this before it was announced. Batton told him, "That's our job. To know stuff and to tell other people." At that moment, Fulwood was hooked.

Fulwood went on to earn a degree in journalism at University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, then returned to work at the Charlotte Observer on the "Cops" beat. Since then, he has been to Harvard for a Neiman Fellowship, to Johannesburg as a foreign correspondent for the Baltimore Sun, and he now writes as a columnist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Fulwood III also spoke more broadly about the role of the media. He called the media the "paradigm or matrix that supports all we do in society." Public policy journalism is meant to inform people about issues to attract or repel them to a certain side. Unfortunately, he added, newspapers are increasingly used by large conglomerates to sell their ideas rather than facts.

Fulwood lamented the fact that people in the United States hear less about international affairs than about celebrity affairs and business deals. "We know more about Michael Jackson's skin transplant than we do about Osama bin Laden," he said.

Fulwood places some blame on editors and journalists. "They say, 'People don't want that [international news].' How do they know that?" asked Fulwood.

He also place some of the responsibility on the public. Fulwood says that the public needs to become more media literate; they need to be aware of what information they need, rather than want, and how to ask for it. "Americans can go a long way in the educational system in this country without being able to name all 50 states, let alone another country," said Fulwood.

Those people who do understand what is happening internationally have enormous power over the people who do not. Fulwood said that media literacy should be taught in school's alongside civics, so that young adults will know how to discern fact and gossip in the papers and evaluate the sources of information. People need to understand that newspapers present facts, not give the "truth," said Fulwood. He added that the public has to be able to measure and decide for themselves what the truth is in any set of facts.

Trustees approve formation of tech committee

by Erin Hummel '05
NEWS WRITER

Hamilton's Board of Trustees held meetings on Sept. 21st and 22nd during which they approved the creation of a "Committee on Technology."

David Smallen, Vice President for Information Technology, will serve as campus liaison.

The creation of this new committee reflects the intrinsic part information technology will play in the 21st century and Hamilton College's awareness that it must prepare its students for it.

"The Committee will consider emerging technological trends and their impact on attracting excellent students and faculty, enhancing the teaching and learning process, preparing students for active participation in an information-intensive world, and enhancing relationships with external audiences including alumni," said Smallen

The committee must "keep itself informed, and advise the President and the Board, on all matters related to the use of computing, networking, and electronic information resources to support Hamilton's mission and strategic goals," wrote President Eugene Tobin in a campus-wide email.

The new committee will work in cooperation with the on-campus "Committee on Information Technology," which is made up of Hamilton faculty. The charge of the on-campus committee as stated in the official college bylaws, "...is to insure that academic computing and networking are used appropriately and effectively in behalf of teaching and scholarship at the College."

Alcohol poisoning increases

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on campus. This is not as easy as it sounds, however, says Genteel, because of the officers' many other responsibilities, such as locking down all the buildings on campus and maintenance. In addition, calls to medical emergencies can take as long as three or four hours. "One call can tie you up for half the night," said Genteel.

Government must increase spending to strengthen economy

by Mithat Yaltir '03
NEW WRITER

Stock prices fluctuated but nonetheless showed signs of stability on Tuesday as major indexes closed modestly high. The decrease in consumer confidence, however, still worries many economists. The Consumer Confidence Index of the New York-based business group, which is based on a monthly survey of 5,000 U.S. households, has dropped from 114.0 to 97.6 since August. This is the largest monthly point drop since the Persian Gulf War.

Economists classify an economy's domestic spending into three categories: consumer spending, investment spending and government spending. Investment spending includes purchases of new capital (like machinery, new factories etc.) by firms. Consumer spending constitutes about two thirds of the domestic spending. Therefore, changes in consumer spending can have deep impacts on the economy.

"When people are not confident about their future, they tend to spend less and save more in an attempt to prepare themselves for the worst like losing their jobs," said Elizabeth Jensen, Professor of economics. "The drops in the stock prices may lead some people to feel less wealthy and make them decrease their spending even further."

Paradox of thrift is the term economists use to explain why drops in confidence levels are crucial for the economy. "If people aren't confident, people don't spend and the economy is damaged by that," said Bill Cheney, chief economist at John Hancock Financial Services. If consumers are concerned about future and cut back on their spending, then sales will start to decline. As a result, firms will decide to cut back on both price and quantity produced. Thus, the firms will lay off some of their workers because of the lack of need to produce. In return, the people who recently lost their jobs will cut their spending causing more people to lose their jobs. The unemployment level rises steadily.

Goldman Sachs, a top investment bank, recommends that the U.S. government enact a major fiscal stimulus program to prevent the economy from further slides. "We need a big fiscal stimulus in the U.S. to generate a rise in the savings rate without also seeing a cutback in consumer spending," the firm's Chief U.S. Economist William Dudley said on Tuesday.

The government has three options to stimulate the economy. It can undertake policies to help consumers regain confidence. It can decrease the interest rates and thereby decrease the cost of borrowing. Or, it can increase the government spending.

With the stock markets showing signs of stabilization, the Fed is unlikely to intervene in the next couple of weeks. "While there is an obviously, very strongly desired sense to move rapidly, it's far more important to be right than quick," Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan told the Senate Banking Committee.

The Bush Administration and the Congress can cut taxes to give the consumers more money to spend, or increase the government spending. The government promised subsidy to airline companies and military spending is sure to increase in the near future. Government is also likely to spend money in the reconstruction of cities damaged by the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, so increasing government spending seems to be the most likely way to improve the US economy.

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Scholars travel to Hill to discuss peace

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Princeton University's Center for International Studies, will discuss the use of atrocities and genocide in war as well as "the effect of political violence on nationalism."

Professor Omid Safi, from the Department of Philosophy and Religion at Colgate University, specializes in the study of Islam, and will speak about his worldview after 15 years of living in the Middle East.

Instructor of Government Yael Aronoff, Ph.D., Henry Platt Bristol Professor of International Affairs Alan Cafruny, Ph.D., Margaret Bundy Scott Professor of Comparative Literature Nancy Rabinowitz, Professor of Women's Studies Chandra Mohanty, and Associate Professor of Spanish Susan Sanchez-Casal, all professors at Hamilton, will speak on the subject of peace.

Joseph Livingston , a senior concentrator in Government at Hamilton, will present his paper entitled, "The Relationship between Coexistence Work and the Eruption of Violence: the Al Aqsa Intifadah and Beyond."

Students from Cazenovia College will join John Daly from the Department of Criminal Justice in a panel discussion called Peace, Conflict, and Justice: Restorative Juvenile Justice. Panels will run all day with lectures and open discussions regarding various topics including the recent attacks on the United States.

The day's events are scheduled as follows: 8:15-9:00 Registration and Continental breakfast; 9:00-9:30 Welcoming/Plenary Session; 9:45-11:15 Concurrent Sessions I; 11:30-12:45 Lunch with keynote speaker; 1:00-2:15 Concurrent Sessions II; 2:30-4:30 Public Panel on the WTC/Pentagon Events of September 11, 2001; 4:45-5:30 Closing session and reception.

The 2:30-4:30 panel focusing on the events of September 11, entitled "September 11, 2001: How did we get here? Where are we going? What should we do?" will take place in the Hamilton College Chapel.

The Regional Peace Studies Conference is an annual event whose location rotates each year. Hamilton joined the Conference last year with the aid of Paap.

The conference and panels are open to the public and anyone with questions may contact Paap at x4219.

Training exercise claims life of volunteer

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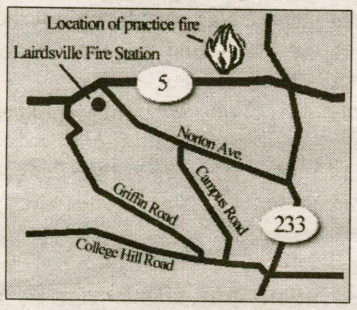
When the blaze flared beyond the control of the Laridsville department, other departments in the Westmoreland fire district, including Clark Mills and Westmoreland, responded to calls for assistance.



The two other firefighters caught in the flash fire suffered injuries. Golden, who was removed from the building by other firefighters, died of smoke asphyxiation.

"This hits close to home. (Training) is something we do every day," said Clinton Volunteer Fireman Mark Breitinger '03.

Breitinger explained that practicing for a structure fire carries with it the dangers of fighting a real fire.

The flash fire which trapped Golden and two other firemen on the second floor is being investigated by the Oneida Country Office of Fire Prevention, the New York State Labor Department, and the Oneida County Sheriff's department said Walsh.

Bradley Golden, who graduated from high school last spring, recently joined the Lairdsville volunteer fire department and was participating in one of his first drills. Golden's death dealt a severe blow to the local community already reeling from the recent national tragedy.

"There's a tragedy every day," said a Bon Appetit employee after learning of her fellow employee's loss.

"We're devastated that we've lost a brother firefighter," said Walsh.

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER LAROSA '03

The cause of a fire flash in an abandoned house of Route 5 in Westmoreland, which took the life of Bradley Golden, is under investigation by state and county officials.

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Editorial

A quick glance at the scoreboard last Saturday afternoon told a story familiar to any Hamilton sports fan. Despite the fact that the Hamilton College football team always tries its best, it has seldom won football games these past three seasons. So seeing the electronic board above Von Steuben field showing the 24-0 score with the 0 in the Home score box did not come as a surprise to anyone in attendance.

And yet, for every first down Hamilton gained (all 11 of them) the crowed roared. Some rang cowbells, some stomped up and down the bleachers trying (and succeeding!) to rally support, and everyone clapped until their hands hurt. This crowd needed no amazing one-handed touchdown grabs by reliable Hamilton receiver Timothy Berbernich, nor did they require any 80-yard touchdown scampers by speedy Hamilton running back Chris Weeden.

The near-capacity crowd at Von Steuben field was impressed with every ankle tackle the Continental defense made, and with every six-yard pass that Continental quarterback Michael Pellman completed. In short, school spirit ran rampant through the crowd, making the fact that Amherst's ground attack did the same to the Continental defense a moot point.

It may have been the return of rowdy and carefree alumni, or perhaps the beautiful fall afternoon (perfect for football), or possibly the amazing play-by-play announcing of Dan Kaufmann, Corey Leighton, and Andy Basco broadcast on WHCL. Whatever it was that made the people in attendance become fans, and not just spectators, the sight of the Hamilton community coming together for some group activity not held in the Bundy Dining Hall was encouraging.

Something brought the Blue Pride out in every single person in those stands. Not that there isn't school spirit here on the Hill. It just tends to lie dormant until the Dawg Pound puts on dresses in spring and makes fun of basketball players. This school pride was purely positive. No opposing players got heckled, no fights were started, and no profane comments were exchanged.

There was simply good, old-fashioned college football, which involved nothing more than two teams playing their hearts out from end zone to end zone. Hamilton may not have won the game, though they certainly battled hard against a very talented Amherst squad. Weeden, Pellman, Berbenich, and the rest of the Continentals gave it their all for 48 minutes. And the crowd loved them for it. It's about time.

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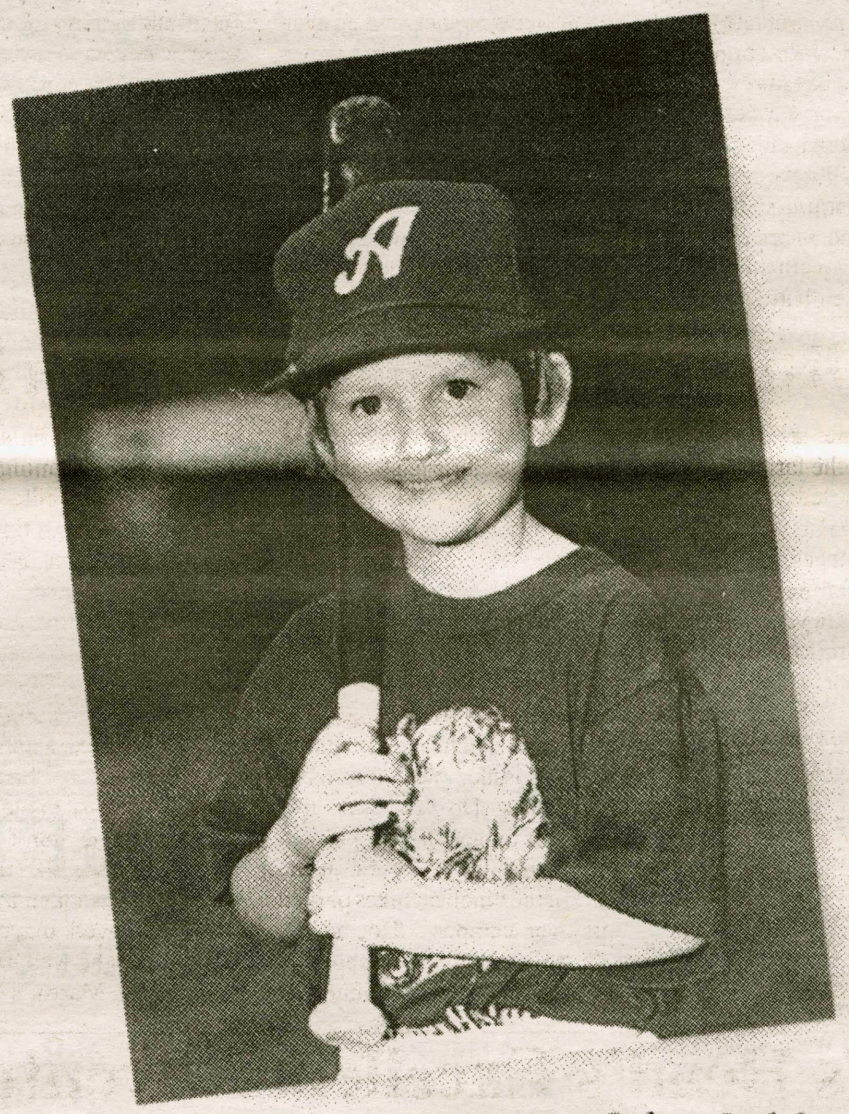

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Insights & Ideas

Listen Up, First-Years!

I would like to respond to a few articles that I have seen in Insights & Ideas over the past few weeks. I can summarize my argument in a nice, easy to read list:

(1) Yes, Tony's and Roma's both DO take a while to deliver.

(2) Yes, at Hamilton College you have to make your own fun. It's a lot like this other place where you have to make your own fun--LIFE.

Selena Coppock '02

In an article last week, one freshman complained, "in the month that I've been on campus, I've had to make my own fun." I nearly laughed out loud. I thought back to that time when Gene Tobin showed up at my freshman dorm with a funnel and 30 Stones to make sure we were all having fun. Or when Pat Ingalls went door to door in South wearing a sombrero and carrying a tray of Tequila shots, just to ensure that we were all at an adequate level on the ole' fun-o-meter. Or even better, the time when Alexander Hamilton held my legs up for a keg stand. Man, those were the days.

To be frank, Hamilton College is not here to make sure you have fun. Greek societies, Stryker, ELS, BLSU, a cappella groups, Yodapez and groups of friends–these groups throw parties and functions for the campus, but Hamilton College is not in the business of getting their students hammered. From a legal standpoint, they simply cannot be. Sure, they can turn a blind eye to partying, but they truly cannot throw "ragers" themselves. On campuses across the country, the University or College usually does not throw the parties. More often than not, parties are thrown by private groups or societies.

I know it sucks when there are no parties thrown on campus, but I have found that most of my best times at Hamilton have not been planned events. As I look back on the past three years, some of my favorite memories are of my friends and me having a Power Hour in our quad basically every Friday of sophomore year, chilling out in Kirkland freshman year, playing Beirut and "I Never" with my friends in a suite, bringing a case out onto Minor Field to drink and hang out with friends. No "social chair" organized these events-this was just my friends and me doing our own thing, having a good time and, gasp, making our own fun.

Most of the campus is going to look back on their Hamilton experience a few years down the road. They're most likely not going to think, "Gosh, remember that time when CAB brought that wacky standup comedian to the Barn?" They're rather going to think about the good times they had with their friends. Maybe those nights didn't seem Earth-shattering at the time. Maybe they were just doing random stuff on a night when they hadn't been planning on doing anything, but ended up having a great time. It's like the Existentialists say, you make your own happiness. Hamilton College--love it or leave it.

Improving Our Rank:

A Different Strategy

It's amazing what a bored guy can find online. Within an hour last week I was able to browse sites advertising everything from human meat for the "discriminating human flesh connoisseur" (no this is not a joke) to some place advertising free weight-loss hormone therapy. However, I was most interested

Nicholas Mirick '03

to find a site which described an upcoming New York Times magazine article about Ivy League students and pornography.

The article is not about how Yale students are more interested in porno or even how there's a sex ring or anything closely related to those ideas. The article focuses on four seniors at Yale, who are now alumni, class of 2000, who got together every week for two years and watched porn together for about an hour a week. It was something of a group bonding thing.

Their senior year, however, they decided to pull a prank on the campus. And so it was that one morning, the Yale campus awoke and went to classes, only to see flyers up around campus advertising a new erotic film that students wanted to make. The call went out for actors and actresses (promising full confidentiality), camera-people and anyone else interested in being involved in the making of the film. The film was to be called "The Staxxx" and the 4 seniors laughed amongst their friends at how the campus would react to their prank.

The campus reaction was an inundation of requests to be cast. The four seniors were dumbstruck. Of all the possible reaction scenarios they had come up with, this was not one of them. But, they figured, if people really did want to make

*see **Ranking**, page 10*

Cyclists: An Overlooked Minority

As anyone trying to pull their car into the farthest spot in North Lot can tell you, Hamilton is truly a pedestrian campus. However, what happens to those who are neither pedestrians nor car drivers? Those who want to get across campus quickly, but without polluting the air?

Laurie Beth Northrup '03

I am one of those select few: The Cyclists. I don't mean biking for fitness or to look at the scenery. I mean zooming down paths because I needed to be across campus five minutes ago. I mean nearly hitting several innocent pedestrians each day because I only have one half-functioning brake. (Sorry.)

Yes, my turquoise and hot pink circa-1993 Huffy has been my mode of transportation of choice on this campus for over a year now. I pedal through all kinds of weather, no matter what I'm carrying, and I deal with the parking issue. Yes. The parking issue. Do you think that only car owners have a parking problem? Look around at the fate of the innocent bikes parked all over campus. Due to the chronic and worsening shortage of bike racks, you see innocent bikes chained up in stairwells, tied to trees, leaning against poles. My own bike has been vandalized enough times that I fear to park it out in the open, but have no choice.

I have a point: cyclists are people too. Please be nice to us and to our bikes. You wouldn't like it if someone put a wad of gum on your car seat like someone did wih my bike, would you? No. Also, to the administration: please don't take our bike racks away like the library bike rack was taken away.

If not...well, maybe I won't steer out of the way next time I pass you on Martin's Way.

Bill's Head's Excellent Adventure

In your hometown, did you have a regular place for your hair-care needs? A place where you entrusted the personal entity that is your overgrown mop of hair? I recently embarked on an odyssey via the Jitney, where my ultimate goal was a good haircut. I knew nothing of the

Bill Chenevert '05

haircut scene at the Sangertown Mall but I had a hunch that my best bet would not be the local barber.

So we missed the Jitney, of course, the first time around, but with the diner close by, the second loop came soon enough. My previous visit to the shopping Mecca that is Sangertown was during orientation week, on a Saturday; needless to say it was an interesting experience. I had a basic knowledge of the Sangertown layout, but, oh, what's this? Mastercuts? Ooh... looks like a salon to me. Let's see if there's something else. We wandered towards the calendars and looked at the usual calendar themes: dogs, N'Sync, Carmen, etc. Lo and behold, just beyond the calendars I spied The Haircut Co.

Whoa, whoa, whoa, that does not look like the kind of place for me. There appears to be a veritable team of stylists waiting to do their thing, but I bet it costs. Torn, I asked the girls at the watch place nearby. She gave us sound advice - Mastercuts is good and cheap, whereas The Haircut Co. will cost us no less than twenty-five bucks. I thought to myself, I never have and never will spend more than twenty bucks on a haircut. I'll try Mastercuts. My roommate, on the other hand, had the use of a parental credit card. He decided to go all out and opt for The Haircut Co.

So I walked in and naively, obviously a Hamilton freshman, asked if I could get a haircut. A small red-head popped up from her coffee/sitting break and told me to sign my name on a clipboard. Oh my, what is this?, I thought. She highlighted my name, initialed the board, and sat me down. Oh God, is it too late to back out? What is this name signing business? I had a haunting suspicion that I'd be leaving with a bald head. But before I knew it, a little black cape got draped over me and she was poised with clippers in hand. She worked ludicrously fast and before I knew it, bam!, done. I paid

*see **Haircut**, page 10*

Thumbs Up

- The new reality shows: "Who wants to be a Princess" and "Love Cruise"

- Drunken after hours at Tony's

- TDX bookies making out on the 17 point spread for the football game

- Chipsters having the balls to throw the first on-campus party

Thumbs Down

- Getting nailed by a car crossing Martin's Way

- The tennis team raising money to buy themselves Patagonia fleeces

- Having a heart attack after walking up the stairs of the science building

- Midterms before break

Who Cares?

- Maurice "Sweet Chuck" Michaane's answering machine message (x2796)

- Thousands of dollars of damage caused by alumni who lost their tolerance

- The secret, heated rivalry between the Hamiltones and Tumbling After

- The concrete wonder that is Babbitt

- Paul P.'s "hot" illegal dates

by Dan Kaufmann '03, Paul P. Jones '03, and Lauren Reynolds '02

Features

Senior Fellow analyzes psychology of runners

by Elizabeth Rabe '04
FEATURES WRITER

Maggie Hanson '02, who hails from Maine, is one of three honored recipients of the Senior Fellowship that will allow her to spend this entire academic year conducting an individual research project. Hanson will study "*The Personality of Distance Runners: Performance, Injury, and Mental Health*." This project reflects her interest in both psychology and running.

Winning a Senior Fellowship is a great honor for Hanson. Edmund A. LeFevre Professor of English, John H. O'Neill, who oversees the program, notes that this award "holds a lot of prestige." For the past 28 years, the program has allowed high-achieving students to focus on a research project of their choosing instead of taking classes.

Because Hamilton College endows these students with research funds, fellows must have an excellent academic and personal record. According to O'Neill, the Academic Council "considers the project proposal, the academic record, and the person" when selecting fellows. In general, a fellow must be an outstanding student with a grade point average of a B+ or better. They also must be highly motivated to remain focused for the long-term project. O'Neill also explains that "the personal qualities of a fellow are very important."

Hanson fulfills all of these prerequisites. Jennifer Borton, professor of psychology, one of Hanson's advisors, exuberantly notes that Hanson is "a very driven and mature person who is extremely well-organized." Borton has also noticed that Hanson possesses "an unusual drive to achieve success in both her academic and athletic endeavors." Professor of Psychology Julie Dunsmore adds that, "Maggie is a wonderful person who has a high intellectual ability as well."

Outside of the classroom, Hanson has achieved great success as an athlete. She is a nationally ranked long-distance runner. At the Division III National Championship last winter, Hanson won the 5000 meter indoor track event. Last weekend she broke the Women's Cross-Country course record at the Williams Invitational.

Besides her interest in running, Hanson possesses a love of psychology. As a child, she enjoyed reading books, such as *The Catcher and the Rye* and *A Separate Peace*, to understand the motivation and thoughts of the characters. Hanson explains that "my experiences in class have increased my enthusiasm for the subject and have inspired me to pursue graduate school in clinical psychology."

Hanson has combined these areas of interest in her Senior Fellowship project. Hanson quickly confesses that "I am excited by the notion that I can concentrate my senior year on the two topics that I am passionate about distance running and psychology."

Her study will examine how the personality traits of athletes, particularly cross-country runners, affect their behavior and athletic performance. According to Hanson's fellowship proposal, she will "complete an analysis of how personality characteristics interact and contribute to the frequency and duration of injury or illness, and how setbacks of injury or illness in turn affect an athlete's mental health depending upon their level of self-complexity."

In order to discover the answer to these inquiries, Hanson will survey cross-country runners at Hamilton College, Ithaca College, Rensselear Polytechnic Institute, and SUNY Genesseo. These runners will fill out an initial survey, weekly training surveys, and meet surveys. The initial survey will ask personality questions and what goals each runner has for the season. The weekly training surveys will "be a brief questionnaire asking athletes to report their current training level, acquisition of injury or illness, and mood or self-esteem," according to Hanson. The meet surveys will record a runner's response to his individual performance and how he feels about this performance. At the completion of the cross-country season, Hanson will evaluate the results of these surveys. She will look for correlations within the responses.

Hanson presumes that her evaluation of these results will contribute to the field of sports psychology. She believes that it "will increase the understanding of health risks in athletics as a product of the components of an athlete's personality." Hanson also hopes that this study will influence athletes to work with psychologists "to develop healthy behavior patterns to avoid physical and mental damage from sports."

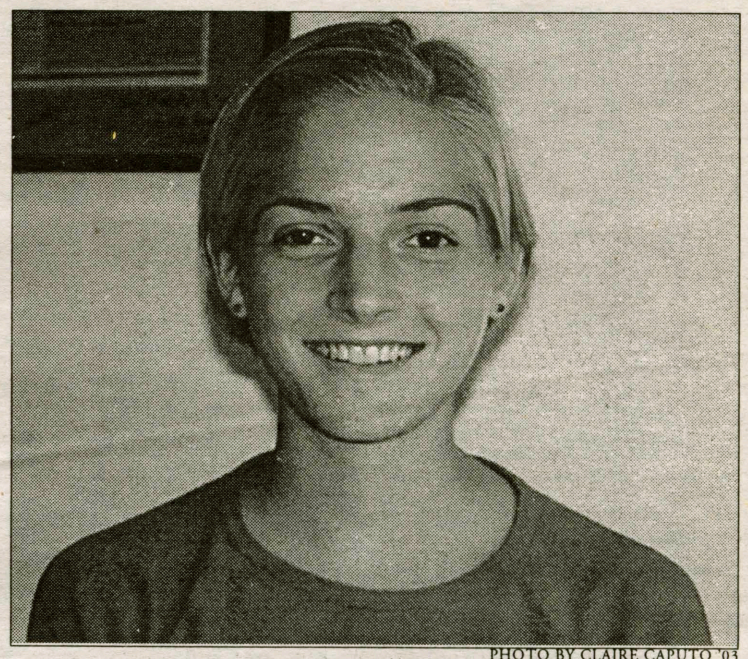

PHOTO BY CLAIRE CAPUTO '03

According to her fellowship proposal, Maggie Hanson '02 will analyze "how personality characteristics interact and contribute to the frequency and duration of injury/illness." Using her results, she hopes to help maintain physical and mental health of distance runners.

In order to spread this message, Hanson will present her research to the college community in the form of a speech and a thesis. She also would also like to write a journal article to share this research with the scientific community.

After this project and her graduation from Hamilton, Hanson plans to continue her interests in running and psychology. Next year she hopes to attend graduate school to earn a doctorate in Health Psychology. In the future, she would like to practice clinical psychology.

Like other Senior Fellows, Hanson has enjoyed her experience so far this academic year. She notes that it has been a "rewarding experience that I am glad to have taken advantage of here at Hamilton." She would encourage other Hamilton students to pursue a Senior Fellowship. But she suggests that students formulate their ideas early, talk to their advisor, and discuss their project with Professor O'Neill.

The fitness center: exercising your social muscle

by Jessica Acheson '03
FEATURES WRITER

People walk in and out, sipping from water bottles, eyeing the wall of mirrors, chatting with people they know. Everyone is working out, some leisurely, others intensely. The newest pop hit, at one point Alicia Keys' "Fallin,'" and at another Alien Ant Farm's "Smooth Criminal", blares from the room's speakers. Is the Ade Fitness Center simply a place to exercise or is it also a place to socialize? The answer is found somewhere in the middle.

Last Sunday night at 7:30 pm, only three people made use of the facilities however according to Elijah Huling '04, the most popular times to work out in the Fitness Center are 3 pm to 6 pm. He both works there and uses the equipment on his own time. He also notes that he tends to see more girls than guys using the treadmills and listening to headsets, while more guys bench pressing, an activity which is more conducive to social interaction. Kimberly Lantz '03, a student that frequents the center, finds, "At the busiest times, between 4:00 and 4:30, there are a lot of hardcore people working out. It's more laidback at night."

Rebecca Kessler '03, who frequents the Fitness Center when she is not occupied with crew, says, "People are there to work out, not to socialize." At the same time, however, she remarks, "I always feel like people are watching me. It's not like all eyes are on you, though. It's like when you're walking in Commons with your tray and you know you're about to trip. You think everybody's watching, but they're really not."

Many visitors agree there is a social aspect involved in going to the gym. This often makes people more self-conscious. They feel as if others are watching them while they work out. Huling attempts to gauge the level of self-consciousness of girls working out. "I think it depends on what they're wearing. The girls that come in with spandex pants and sleeveless shirts. I don't think they're self-conscious." Note, at the same time, "Girls mistaking the treadmill for the catwalk" earned a "Who Cares?" rating from Dan Kaufman '03, Paul P. Jones '02, and Lauren Reynolds '02 in last week's *Spectator*.

Huling continues, "The majority of the people that work out here are in shape; it would be hard if you're not." Huling also notes that he often sees people checking others out while exercising; he observes that it is more often guys checking out girls than vice versa. Kimberly Lantz '03 admits, though, "I know that I check people out all the time."

Above all, though the Center is a fitness facility. People are there to work out, whatever their motivations may be. Huling says, "I love being in shape... I figure if I work out now, it is something I can do later in life." Kessler echoes the positive aspects of working out, saying that she enjoys working out as a way to keep in shape and feel better about herself. As a result of these positive aspects, Kessler does not have a

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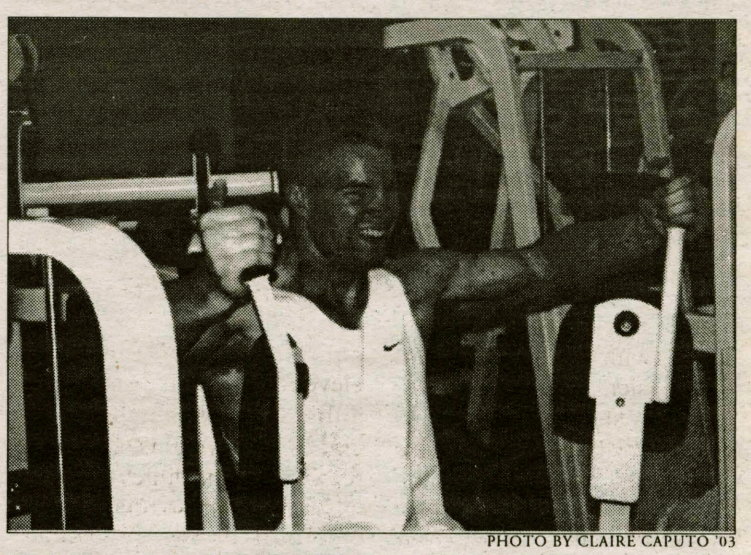

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Taking a break from flirting, Ryan Palmitesso '03 builds his triceps. The Fitness Center doubles as a social haven, where employees report girls flocking to the treadmills while guys practice mirror worship.

Café Clinton: three houses of coffee worship

by Amy Kopriva '02 and Chris Takacs '05
FEATURES EDITOR AND FEATURES WRITER

Dunkin' Donuts
33 Utica Street

Sugary seductions, energy-boosting libations, the childhood memory of the lovable "Muffin Man" from 80's TV, and the stylishly flourescent pink and orange theme can only mean one thing to college students: the infamous 'double d,' your neighborhood Dunkin' Donuts. The coffee culture, well, isn't too cultural at the international chain, but the food and coffee *is* fast, cheap, and familiar.

Although you won't find poetry readings or chic community artwork adorning their walls, the joint is popular because, like McDonald's, it is dependable and value-priced. Just past the downtown strip of Clinton, our lovable Dunkin' Donuts branch can be found on Utica Street, next to another community icon, the highly acclaimed Nice 'n' Easy. Right now, the store is waiting to capitalize upon your 'fall feeling,' with several enticing 'warm-up your insides' seasonal treats: the pumpkin spice donut, the caramel apple pie donut, the cranberry apple bagel, and the pumpkin muffin.

Putting these unique items aside, what aspects of the chain appeal to the public? Amy Doyle, a part-time employee at the Utica Street location for the past six months commented, "I think customers like that they can see the food, that we are quick, and that they know what to expect." Mike, another employee at the store added, "The quality of our coffee is high. We brew new pots every 18 minutes. Also, every eight hours we put out fresh stock of the food." Apparently, these policies safeguard customers from the notoriously unappealing soggy donut or dried out bagel.

My trip to the store also taught me another interesting tidbit about their food management: every week on Tuesdays, Doyle explained, the donut truck arrives with sales supplies for the week. Then around 2 p.m. employees at the branch "frost and fill" the new crop to get ready for the high demand of the weekends. Also, all bagels and muffins are baked on site.

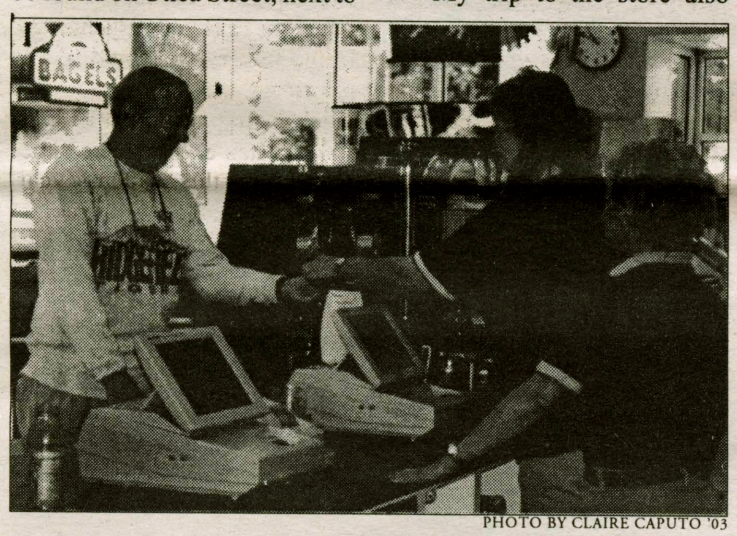

PHOTO BY CLAIRE CAPUTO '03

Dunkin' Donuts staff are anxiously awaiting your arrival to fulfill your caffeine fix every eighteen minutes.

According to the employees, Hamilton students are one of the biggest groups of customers. This group, Mike smiled, combined with " the cops and the general community keep us very busy." Although our students lack uniforms, Mike and Amy resoundingly agreed we are easy to spot. How, you ask? Mike said, "We watch the parking lot and sometimes see the sticker on the car. We also know that we have a house of sorority sisters living across the street. They are here all the time, especially for the breakfast sandwiches." With a small smirk, Amy added, "The pj's at 11:00 a.m. on Saturdays make it pretty obvious too. The guys are usually nicer than the girls." PJ's aside, Amy further described customers by saying, " we have a lot of regulars. Some of them even come in two or three times a day. They are usually in a rush in the morning, but pretty laid-back by the evening."

The consensus is clear: whether you wander from across the street, pile into an SUV and leave campus, or travel as a freshman on the beloved Jitney, Dunkin' Donuts is an appealing solution to caffeine and sugar addictions.

PHOTO BY CLAIRE CAPUTO '03

Mohawk Valley's solo roaster, Adirondack Coffee Company boasts both coffeehouse chic and a nature lovers motif. Manager Rhonda and employee Casey whip up a Chai that is both "creamy and spicy at the same time," according to Dan Walker '05.

Adirondack Coffee Company
7 Park Row

With local painters' masterpieces hanging on the walls and a wide array of caffeine fixes to be had, The Adirondack Coffee Company, located on Park Row, downtown Clinton, combines coffeehouse chic with good ol' hometown atmosphere.

Being one of few coffee shops in Mohawk Valley that bakes its own bread, makes its own desserts, and makes its own soup from scratch, the only coffee shop in the valley that roasts its own beans, Adirondack has gained a well-deserved reputation for being extremely down to earth and self-sufficient. In a recent survey that was administered by the shop, around 20% of customers are local Clintonians, proving that people travel far and wide for what is known by many to be the best brew in the Valley.

Since it was opened in June of 1995 by owner Kevin LaPlante, Adirondack has continued to expand, providing a greater selection of drinks, sandwiches, pies, soups and other delectable treats. Some of the most recent additions to the chalkboard menu that now stretches all the way across the wall are a wide variety of blender drinks, Italian sodas, chai lattés, and espresso drinks. In addition to this, the shop has expanded its baking capabilities, and now bakes most of its bread on site.

Recently, Adirondack began cooking gourmet dinners every Friday, but as Rhonda, front store Manager puts it, "It can get really busy." Other times to expect crowds are on weekends, Mondays, and Thursday evenings, when a local Tarot card reader comes in and tells people's fortunes.

What do Hamilton students think about The Adirondack Coffee Company? Ben Wetstone '05 comments that "The atmosphere is very homey and the chai is non pariel. They also ask if you want it stronger, something you don't get in most other places." Dan Walker '05 reports that the staff is "very attentive to the customer's needs. The Chai is excellent, creamy and spicy at the same time."

The Adirondack Coffee Company, with its comfy sofas, local art, and wide variety of adrenaline boosts, provides Clinton with a venue for both devotees of the bean, and those who simply want a relaxing, welcoming place to put their feet up.

Café Opus
The Darkside

Café Opus, the apple of the Darkside's eye and home for all of the campus's Java freaks, has a lot more to offer than its convenient location. With 19 newly reupholstered comfy chairs and sofas, Simon and Garfunkel playing on a loop, and a great view of Minor field and the McEwen breezeway, Opus is one of the best places on campus to chill out, study, or socialize.

Opus, renovated and expanded over the summer, offers a wide selection of espresso drinks, filter coffees, Italian Sodas, and other caffeine fixes for those seniors who like to wait until the day before their thesis papers are due to start, or anyone else who sees sleep as a needless luxury. It also offers sandwiches and soup for lunch (always vegetarian), as a nice alternative to the dining halls on campus. Freshly-baked muffins, massive cookies, and assorted candy is also available.

For those true coffee fiends, students who only drink espresso, you can ask to get a 'fidelity card,' which can get you a free coffee when you buy 12 drinks.

Opus is open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 - 5:00, and then 7:30 - 11:30; Friday from 9:00 - 5:00; Sunday from 11:30 - 4:00, and then 7:30 - 11:30.

Flex and Flirt

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hard time being motivated.

Motivation is a key issue in exercise routines of students that use the Fitness Center. For some, it is not a problem; for others, it is a challenge. Lantz, who works out 5 times a week at the Fitness Center, says that about half the time she finds it hard to get motivated. She suggests that working out with someone makes it much easier.

Many students are required to clock in time at the Fitness Center for team sports. Huling, who is on the football and track teams, is required to work out two times per week at the Fitness Center or the Alumni Gym during football season, and for track, two or three times per week at the Fitness Center. Often team members must fill out a log that tracks their activities at the facilities.

The Ade Fitness Center, which was bestowed upon Hamilton as a gift of Bill and Babs Ade through the Elaine and Frank T. Powers Foundation, is home to a great deal of equipment. This includes eleven exercise bikes, six treadmills, ten stair climbing machines, free weights, and eighteen weight machines for exercises such as torso rotation, lateral pull down, abdominal crunch and arm curl.

Despite some students' complaints that it is too small, Huling argues that the facilities are definitely adequate considering the size of our school. Lantz remarks that our athletic facilities in general are of good quality. Alum Amy Lawrence '01 says that the facilities at the Fitness Center are far better than those of the gym at SUNY Albany, where she attends graduate school.

If you are interested in taking advantage of the facilities, whether to solely work out, or perhaps also to witness the intriguing and sometimes embarassing social atmosphere of the Fitness Center, hours of operation are as follows: Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 12 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Rookie hikers develop Adirondack appreciation

by Amy Kopriva '02
FEATURES EDITOR

On the weekend of Sept 14th to the 16th, five Hamiltonians - three novices and two HOC devotees - ventured to the West Canada Lakes Wilderness Area in the Adirondack Mountains. The event, Beginner's Backpacking Weekend, was co-led by Jeff Dyer '04 and Jenny Cleary '02. Although the participant group was only three strong, with Jay Bowen '04, Laura Fortinksy '05 and Andreu Viader Valls '05, Dyer commented, "Hopefully the event will become annual. We really bonded as a group." The five backpackers met the Thursday night before they left to go over important backpacking topics such as how to light a stove, treat water, stay on the trail, and pack. How else was the trip designed for the inexperienced outdoor aficionado? Dyer simply explained, "The route was pretty flat!" Despite the simple terrain, the group revels in the succesful accomplishment of an estimated seven-mile hike. After hiking five miles to the shelter, they elected to do a few short side trips to see some other lakes of the area.

Dyer commented, "We had perfect weather the whole weekend." Fortinsky also noted with enthusiasm, "It was a good way for me to get involved with HOC from the start and of course to see the mountains too."

In keeping with the tradition that every camping trip would not be complete without a harrowing encounter with a large beast of either human or animal persuasion, the Hamiltonians met a group of bear hunters. Dyer explained that it is the season for these colorful individuals, and mentioned that the group could not resist some interaction, "We did stop and chat with them. They were scary. They had guns and lots of beer. I guess that's the bear hunting experience?" Viader Valls elaborated, "We were really lucky to watch stars at night. But you could still hear the gunshots, even that late. I think they were just shooting in the air." Luckily, in case the meeting took a turn for the worse, the group was armed with Bowen's unexpected possession of a buck knife.

In addition to some swimming, the group entertained themselves with an orally challenging game called Chubby Bunny. Not surprisingly, the goal of the game is to have the maximum number of marshmallows stuffed into your mouth while maintaining the all-important ability to mumble the phrase and be understood. With a laugh, Dyer recounted, "It is just so silly and gross. White drool is bad!" Although marshmallows are rarely included in the diet of a hiker, Dyer explained, "Well, we went all out this time." In addition to the sugary, slobber-inducing sustenance, the group also had indulged in the new peace sign shaped pasta of Annie's Macaroni and Cheese of which Dyer commented "now come in a really cool psychedelic box!" and the to-die-for chocolate and hazelnut spread, the infamous Nutella. While on the ascent, the group entertained themselves with 'Minute Mysteries' which involve a made-up quandary that slowly gets deduced by participants through yes and no questions.

Although Dyer hopes the trip will inspire his novices for further HOC participation and exploration, he's already hooked. He explained, "I have camped with my family forever and I have been backpacking for at least seven years." Both Dyer and Cleary spent this past summer working in nature. Dyer did "logistics for trips and actually led them too" through the Applachian Mountain Club and Cleary did trailwork for the Randolph Mountain Club. He commented, "I especially like doing longer trips where you have a totally different lifestyle than you do at school. You worry about water, food, and the weather and that's it. I love to see what people get out of it." Dyer urges the community to take advantage of future HOC weekend trips, reminding us that, "It is great for your mental health to get away. There just isn't anything like getting into nature. The best part is that most of the work is done for you through HOC."

Students who are interested in becoming a member or participating in future trips can stop by the HOC Open Hours, which are held Monday and Thursday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the HOC office in Benedict.

Improve Our Ranking Through Porn

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a porno movie, who were they to stop them from achieving their dreams? By November they had not only written, cast and gathered money to start production, they had already filmed part of the movie. Those scenes were later canned when the actresses and actors complained that people knew who they were, and "The Staxxx" took a backburner as the four let the hubub die down a bit.

Now, as interesting as this is, it's hardly uncommon; friends of mine at colleges and universities all over the nation tell me that they've at least seen one advertisement for a student-run porno, if not more. (This leads me to question: Where are we on that board?! If we really wanted to move up our rankings in US News and World Report, we need to get some smut going on this campus. Keep up with the Joneses for real, I say!) The real kicker, though, is the number of times these four now-alumni have been contacted. The New York Times is writing an article about them. The New Yorker tried to contact them and Fox News had people hunting them down for comments.

Why? College students having sex is hardly news-worthy.

It's probably because the story revolves around Yale students. There's little news value to a group of naked young people pointing digital video cameras at each other while humping like bunnies. Perhaps a wry end-of-the-broadcast piece to be done if the young people happen to be students at some zany liberal arts college, or maybe some hand-wringing if the participants are scholarship holders at State U. But I think the media interest says a lot less about being judgmental than it does about the surprisingly widespread Ivy League fetish.

The Ivy League fetish is one of the most universal American ideals. We spend so much time doting on those academic elites that for a large part we forget why we even care: because they're old and they have "history". What parent doesn't go to bed dreaming about how their son or daughter will go to some Ivy League and go on to greater success from there?

Look at Hamilton. We're on an Improve-Our-Ranking Bender right now, with everyone from President Tobin to the trustees to professors to parents back home. We want to be ranked right alongside Columbia and Yale and Princeton–if we can't get the actual name, we want the ranking distinction. We're participating in the ultimate intercollegiate sport: Keeping Up with the Joneses. Someone else is building a new science center, <beep beep beep>, the signal goes out, and now we need to build a new science center. Raising tuition? Cutting back student activities spending? Housing crunch? Bah! We need a new science center or we're going to be left in the dust!

This is not only weak, it's dooming us to always playing catch-up. One of the first rules of combat is to not play by someone else's rules–beating someone at their own game is infinitely more difficult than changing the game itself. Why not move off in a new direction? I'm not talking something like making Hamilton the basketweaving enthusiast's mecca. I mean focusing on things that get recognized at other schools, but only barely. The Asian Studies program is a prime example of that; it's very highly thought of and not something many other schools have. Let's focus on things like that, new programs or revamping old ones, and making them phenomenal in their own right, rather than following in others' footsteps.

Obviously there are staple majors you cannot remove and I'm not suggesting that we do so. What I am suggesting is that we make our own path. The Res Life motto is, "We will be remembered by the footsteps we leave," borrowed from the Dakota, and I think that is a fitting motto for the direction of our school as a whole. As it stands, our footsteps are blending together in the path of colleges along with everyone else's. Instead of following in the footsteps of the Ivy Leagues, why not create something they envy? Why not make them follow in our footsteps?

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A Damn Fine Haircut

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a very reasonable fee and walked over to see if my roommate was still suffering. He wasn't even close to done. I laughed, ha ha. I spent half of what he was spending and I got done (with the better haircut if I don't say so myself) way before him.

It just goes to show you what a little Sangertown employee courtesy will get you - a damn fine haircut. Getting your hair cut in a town that is totally alien to you is harder than you think. I wish the best of luck to you Hamilton freshman that've been letting it all grow out in fear of a whack haircut.

The Science Pages

Why is everyone so sick over germ warfare?

by Heather VanGuilder '02
SENIOR SCIENCE WRITER

In light of the recent acts of terrorism, the fears of many Americans are turning toward biological and chemical warfare as the nation's next major threat.

Sometime before 8:30pm on September 11, 2001, a special unit from Scotia, NY began a quiet search for deadly germs or toxic chemicals in the air around the crash site at the World Trade Center in order to ensure that terrorists had not incorporated biochemical warfare into their deadly plans. Fortunately no such dangers were detected, but fears that such an attack may be imminent has the U.S. on alert.

On Monday, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grounded the nation's cropdusters yet again due to concerns that the hijackers may have planned to use the agricultural aircraft to spread chemical poisons or biological toxins. Special licenses are required to fly cropdusters, which sport large hoppers that usually hold pesticides and fungicides.

The order was issued in response to reports that suspected hijacker Mohamed Atta visited a South Florida airport inquiring about the hauling capacity of cropdusting planes. In another report, Algerian man arrested for immigration violations had a manual for operation of cropdusting equipment amid his belongings. As it stands, the country has no measures to routinely check for biological attack and relies on reports from doctor's that people are seeking medical attention for unusual symptoms. Medical experts cite this approach as inadequate because symptoms of serious illness often appear days or weeks after infection has spread and when preventative and curative treatments are no longer effective.

Today, the threat of biochemical attack is considered to be relatively low. Biological weapons, for the most part, are hard to make, control, and use. The risk is increasing, however, as knowledge of how to make deadly weapons and the technology to make them spreads. George J. Tenet, director of central intelligence, reportedly warned Congress that terrorists were studying how "rapidly evolving and spreading technologies might enhance the lethality of germ warfare," especially if these groups are aided by rogue states or scientists. Military experts say biological weapons can be cheaper, stealthier, and potentially more devastating than nuclear arms. However, they remainsdifficult for terrorists to acquire and use without cross contamination of their own people. There is serious doubt that terrorist groups could overcome the technical difficulties involved in launching an attack with unconventional weapons.

The very mention of biochemical warfare naturally invokes fear in people, but it becomes even more frightening when said weapons are potentially in the hands of a assumed terrorist mastermind like Osama bin Laden. Operatives of the Saudi millionaire are suspected to have training in conducting attacks with toxic chemicals or biological toxins, and may be developing or acquiring weapons of mass destruction. Currently Iraq, Iran, Syria, and Libya are among the nations known or thought to have biological weapons, while the United States suspended its biochemical weapons program in 1985 and has been destroying them ever since.

Fortunately, the federal government has spent billions of dollars over the last five years to bolster the country's capacity to handle an attack on U.S. cities by anthrax, smallpox, nerve gas, or other lethal agents. Stockpiling antibiotics, purchasing vaccines, spending on preparedness measures, and improving our ability to recognize symptoms of biochemical agents are a few aspects of the multifaceted program to better combat the threat of germ and chemical attack. The pharmaceutical inventory is aimed at several biological threats, including smallpox and anthrax, although government officials are citing other agents as potential threats.

Chemicals which could likely be used as terrorist weapons, which differ from biological weapons in that they are not living systems, nor do they have the ability to self-propagate, are VX, mustard gas, and sarin nerve gas.

VX, considered to be one of the most lethal chemical weapons, is a colorless and odorless liquid that turns to a gas when it comes in contact with oxygen. It is primarily toxic through the skin but can also prove fatal upon inhalation, whereupon it blocks the transmission of impulses along the central nervous system, causing convulsions, respiratory paralysis, and death.

Mustard gas is also colorless and odorless. When mixed with other chemicals, it turns brown and smells like garlic. Exposure to mustard gas, usually through inhalation of vapors, results in painful blisters all over the body and can cause chronic lung impairment, cancer, and leukemia.

Sarin, a toxic gas that attacks the central nervous system, is usually absorbed through the respiratory tract and causes nausea, breathing difficulties, and eventually death through suffocation at higher doses. Nerve agents like Sarin act by disrupting acetylcholine transmission and affecting the peripheral nervous system by binding to part of a molecule called AchE, which breaks down acetylcholine and inactivates it. In the peripheral nervous system, acetylcholine is located at the "neuromuscular junction" where it acts to control muscular contraction. When nerve agents bind to AchE, the molecule becomes inactive and can no longer stop the action of acetylcholine..

The primary biological weapons placed on the alert list are anthrax, botulinum toxin, and smallpox. Anthrax is a bacteria that forms spores that infect humans through physical contact or inhalation. Upon exposure, the spores produce a toxin that can be fatal. It degrades rapidly in sunlight but can survive for years in the right environmental conditions. If left untreated, the bacteria is fatal in 80% of infected persons. However, if detected early, treatment is relatively simple, consisting of antibiotics like penicillin. Additionaly, vaccination can prevent infection.

Botulinum toxin is a bacteria that develops in the absence of oxygen. It produces neurotoxins that kill through slow respiratory failure and suffocation, The toxin has a relatively short life after release and can be treated with anti-toxins soon after exposure.

Smallpox, a contagious virus, is high on the danger list because it kills about 30% of those who contract it, and there is no known treatment.

Most Americans older than 30 have been vaccinated for smallpox, but because the disease was eradicated in the 1970s, children are no longer vaccinated today. As part of the pharmaceutical stockpiling, disease control centers are in the process of making 40 million doses of the smallpox vaccine, but these are not expected until 2004. Smallpox is highly contagious and spreads easily, often overwhelming all attempts at containment.

The terrorists' alleged interest in cropdusting has people on alert because the most devastating method of spreading biochemical weapons is to dry them in to pastes and powders, and then distributing them through an aerosol spray. Distribution by means of aircraft could potentially cover massive areas directly, and have fatal results, eventually spreading by wind and water.

A new face in the chemistry department

by Heather VanGuilder '02
SENIOR SCIENCE WRITER

This fall, the Chemistry department welcomes Professor Kimberly Bradley into their ranks.

Bradley, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, comes to Hamilton from Mount Holyoke College, where she was a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Chemistry department.

Before completing a postdoctoral fellowship in environmental chemistry at the University of Denver, Bradley earned a Ph.D. and a master's degree in theoretical chemistry from Northwestern University. Bradley has published research in *Environmental Science and Technology, Chemosphere, Journal of Physical Chemistry*, and *Journal of Chemical Physics.*

An environmental chemist with a strong background in physical chemistry, Bradley is in the process of improving her designs for an instrument that will measure trace gas exchange between the soil and the atmosphere.

Bradley is attempting to provide an alternative to existing instruments that do not provide information about more than one or two gases at a time. Her prototype, which has the ability to detect, identify, and quantify several gases simultaneously, represents the culmination of her goal to develop new instruments and methods for environmental gas analysis in terrestrial ecosystems.

Bradley cites Don Stedman, her postdoctoral advisor, and Peter Griffith, a colleague and friend from Australia, as both her educators and her inspiration for her instrument. She has a mutually beneficial relationship with biologists and ecologists who rely on measurements of gases for their research.

Bradley functions as a problem-solver for these scientists by creating new instruments and methodologies, and they in turn provide insight about the relevance of the quantified data that her instruments provide.

Upon her arrival to the Hill early this summer, Bradley entered Hamilton's summer science research program and spent several weeks working in close collaboration with two students, Brent Matteson '04 and Teresa Hilton '03. The trio spent a week in Canyonlands National Park in Utah using her prototype to measure the trace gas exchange in the desert-like environment. Up to 70% of the soil in this region is covered by cryptobiotic crusts, which are symbiotic communities comprised of algae, bacteria, and fungi that carry out several metabolic processes. This top layer acts as a sponge absorbing and holding in water, while also preventing erosion and providing and storing nutrients.

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A smiling Professor Bradley, ready to start her Hamilton career.

The crusts are very fragile; if they are disturbed it can take 50-150 years for them to regain their original protective capacities.

The gases given off by the biocrust may act as indicators of environmental conditions, because the detection of certain gases can show that the metabolism is not being ideally carried out.

Bradley shows particular interest in identifying and quanftifying natural sources (producers) and sinks (removers) of gases in terrestrial ecosystems, paying special attention to the primary greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide. These sources and sinks are used to create a gas 'budget,' or inventory, of the contributing amounts of sources and sinks.

These budgets are compiled by organizations like the EPA, and then are used by scientists as important parameters in atmospheric modeling and by policymakers deliberating decisions about things like emissions control and climate change. Current budgets present a problem because they are often just estimates

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Professor Bradley joins Chemistry department

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based on limited amounts of data, and in many cases this limited data also has substantial uncertainties.

This is where Professor Bradley's instrument comes into play. It has the potential to improve gas budgets by providing larger data sets with smaller uncertainties, so that better models and conceptualizations can be developed.

Bradley's machine has many other applications of extreme value to biologist , ecologists, and legislators. The instrument can be used to measure the products of combustion and explosions. It can also provide important information about the buildup of automotive emissions or industrial pollutants over time. The instrument is very helpful in measuring downwind emissions from industrial plants, which sometimes show leaks in key exhaust systems.

On a more broad scale, Bradley's prototype can be used as a measuring device to provide evidence of the greenhouse effect, and monitors air quality, and pollution transport in the atmosphere.

Bradley admits that there are limitations inherent in any invention or technology, but she plans to overcome as many of them as possible while improving the instrument at Hamilton. The goal is to make it at least as accurate and precise as existing single-gas measuring machines, while measuring a broader range of gases simultaneously.

So, how does it work? In describing its components, Bradley grinned as she stated bluntly, but humorously, that at the moment, part of the system is a $12 steel trashcan.

Trashcan or not, it's an ingenious setup. A chamber (the trashcan) encloses part of the ecosystem of interest, while a gaseous sample goes through tubing and into a cell to be measured by Fourier Transform Infared Spectroscopy (FTIR). FTIR serves as a species identifier, getting the fingerprint of a molecule by scanning a broad range of wavelengths simultaneously to detect multiple gases.

In addition to the FTIR, the machine has other methods of gas detection built into it. For example, in a side chamber, nitric oxide can be measured by chemiluminescence, meaning that it is exposed to a special luminol solution, reacts, and then produces light intensity proportional to gas quantity. A major benefit of the device is that it is extremely adaptable.

For example, to take measurements in forests, the instrument can have a large chamber enclosure with the instrument right inside it so the air doesn't have to be cycled to and from the device. These features make it possible to study gases, such as ammonia, that would otherwise go undetected because they stick to the walls of the tubing.

While working on her machine, Professor Bradley is currently in the process of developing an environmental chemistry course to add to the Hamilton curriculum. This semester she teaches a section of Chemistry 125 and two lab sections of physical chemistry. We wish Professor Bradley well during her stay at Hamilton.

Physical plant takes a swat at flies

by Kristin Patrick '03
SCIENCE EDITOR

In a recent coorespondance with *The Spectator*, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant, Terry Hawkridge offered some valuable advice on dealing with the fly situation at Hamilton.

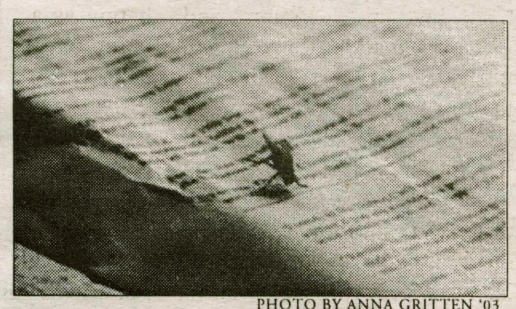
"At this point, I would not subject the community to a toxic pesticide spray but hand them a flyswatter."

In short, Hawkridge offered low-tech, low-cost approaches to battling the cluster flies: "I also recommend a vacuum cleaner as a good tool in heavy infestations."

Hawkridge, who is responsible for making campus pesticide decisions, says that several factors contributed to his current stance on the flies, such as the fact that the flies, though annoying, are not dangerous or destructive.

Additionally, the potential that Hamilton community members would be allergic to a certain pesticide detered Hawkridge from deciding to spray the entire campus.

Current policy dictates that the Bristol Campus Center is sprayed for flies at a cost of $650. Based on that cost however, it would cost "a few full tuitions" to spray the whole campus, says Hawkridge, who maintains that he intends to "keep the costs down and not put pressure on tuitions"



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Cluster flies are notoriously slow; this one is still reading last Thursday's edition of the Bull..

However, do not mistake Terry Hawkridge for a cluster fly advocate: "I hate the flies and will stop a meeting to crush the pest. I have other words for them as well!"

Phase II begins for Alzheimer's disease vaccine

by Hannah Stahle '03
SCIENCE EDITOR

The cure for Alzheimer's disease is getting closer. A promising vaccine developed several years ago, has just successfully completed phase one of its clinical testing and is soon to begin the next phase, which should conclude in 2002.

Alzheimer's disease is a debilitating degenerative disease of the brain that results in an impairment of function and severe memory loss, and as the disease progresses, can lead to death.

Alzheimer's disease affects 12 million people worldwide and 4 million in the United States alone. It is expected that the number of diagnosed cases will reach 22 million by the year 2025, as the baby boomers venture into later stages of life.

Alzheimer's disease primarily affects the elderly, although more and more patients in their 30s and 40s are being diagnosed as potential Alzheimer's cases.

It is difficult to diagnose Alzheimer's disease because the severity of the cases can vary widely. A spectrum was developed to characterize the progression of the disease, and patients fall into categories such as, mild, moderate, or advanced Alzheimer's, with various categories in between.

The exact cause of the disease is unknown, but scientists suspect that it has to do with the build up of protein plaques in the brain. These plaques are caused by beta-amyloid protein that form close to the neurons, or nerve cells, in the brain and causes them to swell and distort.

These plaques interfere with the firing of neurons, and eventually with the build up of enough plaques, the brain cells begin to die. This, until now, has been an irreversible problem.

Although the idea that plaques are the direct cause of Alzheimer's disease is still only a theory, researchers began developing a vaccine to combat this build up, hoping to be able to test their hypothesis, and determine the cause.

The research began at Elan Corporation, a pharmaceutical company based in San Francisco, with several studies were carried out in corrleation with the University of Pennsylvania. In these studies, mice genetically engineered to develop these amyloid plaques, were given a dose of human amyloid-beta-42 protein.

If injected with human protein, the immune system of the mouse would, in theory, recognize this as a foreign body and would create an antibody for the formation of the precursor protein that causes the amyloid plaques. In all cases, the mice injected with this protein did not develop the plaques that they were engineered to, while all the mice in the control situation developed the plaques normally.

These results prompted Elan Corporation to continue their research, as they teamed up with Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories about two years ago to continue investigating the effect of the vaccine on mice. Further testing yielded the same results, and some studies looked even more promising, as the number of previously developed plaques seemed to decrease.

With the research proving so successful, Elan Corporation moved to begin testing the drug on humans. The first phase of testing, which recently concluded, proved as effective as the testing done on the mice.

Dr. Ivan Lieberburg, chief scientific and medical officer of Elan Corporation stated, "We're on the frontier of a completely novel approach to Alzheimer's disease," as he reported the most recent findings in the first clinical study.

This study, which began in May 2000, was designed to assess the safety of the vaccine on humans and to assess any adverse side effects attributed to the vaccine. The study followed over 100 patients from the United States and the United Kingdom diagnosed with mild to moderate Alzheimer's disease. The participants were given injections of the vaccine, now named AN-1792, and were monitored closely over the year.

Examination of the data after the first trial showed that the vaccine posed no serious health risks to those involved in the study, and the only complaint from participants was a slight pain at the injection site, which is common with any inoculation.

More importantly, however, the first phase also showed that participants began to develop antibodies to fight the build up of the amyloid plaques. "We saw that in a significant proportion of the patients, they were able to demonstrate an immune response," said Dr. Lieberburg, indicating that the drug was having the desired effect, even in the first trial.

So far, researchers hope that the vaccine will work as well in humans as it seems to work in mice, and in order to shed some light on this, the next phase of the study is getting underway. This time, 375 participants from the United States and Europe will take part in the research, in which scientists hope to discover the dosage and effectiveness of the vaccine.

If this drug proves successful, not only will it will determine the cause of Alzheimer's disease, but will also be able to stop the disease in whatever stage it is in. In the future it may even be possible for people to be screened for the disease at an early age, and those at risk could simply be given an injection to ensure against the development of the disease.

While everything looks very promising now, it is important to remember that even if all trials are successful it could be up to 5 years before the drug hits the market. With this huge step in the fight against Alzheimer's disease, however, it might just be worth the wait.

Arts & Entertainment

The Glass House is transparent

Priyanka Khanna '04 sees clear through yet another wannabe thriller

It is probably every child's nightmare. One minute you belong to a happy, caring family and the next, your entire life shatters in front of you. So begins the story of 16-year-old Ruby, played by Leelee Sobieski, and her 11-year old brother Rhett newcomer Trevor Morgan. When their parents (Rita Wilson and Michael O'Keefe) die in a alchohol induced car crash. Ruby and Rhett learn that they have inherited of $4 million. Their new guardians are former neighbors, the Glasses (Diane Lane, and Stellan Skarsgard).

The Glasses live in a minimalist, chrome and glass house (do you even see the brilliance of the title?) on Malibu beach. Ruby and Rhett are promised the perfect life of opulence and California fun. Ruby trusts and loves the Glasses, especially the wife Erin (Lane) and turns to them for comfort. Rhett is happy as a clam once he sees the Play Station the Glasses bought for him. Things seem to be going ominously well, until what seems to be Ruby's overactive imagination starts playing tricks on her. As expected, her suspicions are not unfounded. She discovers metaphoric cracks in the glass house.

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Leelee Sobieski stars as the orphaned Ruby Baker in *The Glass House*.

The perennially spaced out and spineless Erin injects herself. A heavy drinker, Terry is always arguing on the phone and is being harassed by loan sharks. The estate lawyer (Bruce Dern) dismisses her accusations, and warns the Glasses. And to top it all of, it seems Terry behaves completely inappropriately with her, taking her out on what seems a dinner date, and is constantly looking at her.

The Glass House is a psychological thriller with a very common fear as its foundation. Every child has visions about losing his family and living with guardians from hell; definitely a fear every member of a family can identify with. With the brilliant cast, this film could have had a greater impact if it wasn't for a weak foundation. Leelee Sobieski gives probably the best performance as 16-year-old Ruby. She has wonderfully expressive eyes and a manner that garners sympathy. Her resemblance to Helen Hunt both physically and in her speech is uncanny. She is definitely someone to look out for. Lane is wasted as an actress in a very weak role and underdeveloped character. The scene in which she is watching home videos of Ruby as a child is chilling. Skarsgard does justice to his role at most times, but tends to be a little too dramatic.

The best thing about this film is the house itself. Harsh angles and glass everywhere. It is con-

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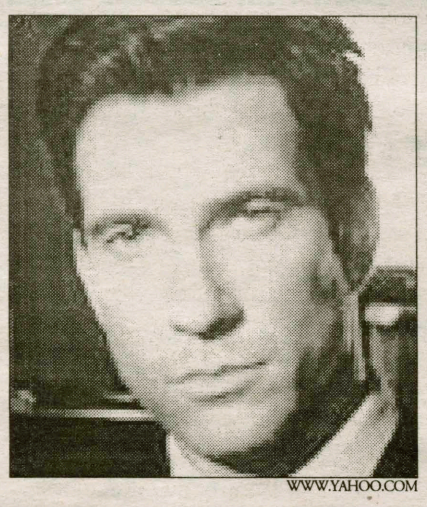
Season Premieres: this week's best shows?

The Practice

by Darcy Lewis '02

Donnell, Young, Dole and Frutt. Any avid fan of ABC's *The Practice* should instantly know these words-the names of the four partners of the law practice that the show centers on, as it enters its fifth season, the show continues to get more and more riveting.

The show follows Bobby Donnell, played by Dylan McDermott (In the Line of Fire, Three to Tango). This head of a Boston law firm specializes in defending the lowest of the low: murderers, rapists, and more. The firm constantly deals with issues of morality and ethics as it tries cases. In addition the show follows the lives of junior lawyers, Jimmy, Eugene, Ellenor, Lindsay, and Rebecca. All of these actors are talented-in fact, Dylan McDermott is probably the least proficient actor out of the central characters. He appears to play exactly the same person in each movie, but his established persona works perfectly with the character of Bobby Donnell.



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Dylan McDermott pleads guilty. The charge: bad acting.

The show tackles the serious issues of our time, as well as bringing to life some extremely quirky cases. Amidst all the courtroom scenes, the cast contests with the trials of real life, now including the new marriage between two of the partners, Bobby and Lindsay. This new tension can only produce more firm squabbles, which have featured some very memorable cat fights in the office.

The season premiered on Sunday with a special two-hour movie, featuring some new cast members and a few wonderful guests. Ron Livingston (Office Space, Band of Brothers) has joined the cast as new District Attorney Alan Low, joining forces with the firm's other rival, DA Helen Gamble, played consistently with intensity by Lara Flyn Boyle ("Twin Peaks," Wayne's World). The premiere followed the trial of a Massachusetts State Senator, convicted of murder, played by the always-wonderful Dylan Baker (Happiness). The senator, an old friend of one of the firm's partners, Ellenor Frutt, played by Camryn Manheim (Happiness, What Planet Are You From?), calls her after many years, only to have her represent him in a mysterious murder case. A man has been found dead in his bed, and Ellenor enters the scene of the crime before even the police have been notified. Both the senator's wife and daughter have seen the body, though it is not clear who has committed the crime, if either of them have done it at all.

Although this kind of scene happens occasionally on the show, the moral questions at the core never seem to tire. It is always interesting to see where lawyers draw the line when it comes to working with and around the law. Legal maneuverings are frequent on both sides of the law, plaintiff and defense alike. The show even presents a completely different view through the police's handling of situations.

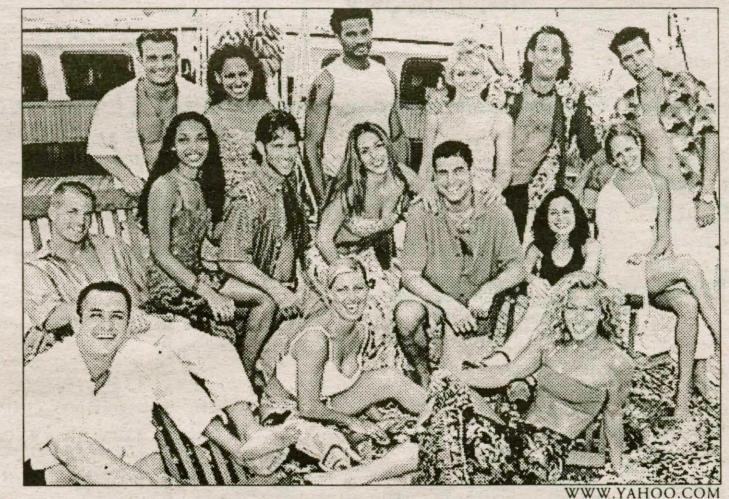
As expected , the senator's case is not as simple as it originally appears. The plot goes through several twists before the true killer is revealed. I won't give any more specifics since the continuation of the season premiere will be on this Sunday at 10:09pm. (I'm not sure what the special time is all about). I will just say that all walks of life and points of view are addressed on the show and there is never a shortage of excitement.

Love Cruise: The Maiden Voyage

by Megan Drumm '04

The basic concept: Temptation Island meets survivor. Fox's latest reality TV show places 16 singles, eight women and eight men, together on a boat for a show filled with lust, deception, betrayal, and scandal.

The rules of the show are simple. The sixteen singles couple off , with the option of switching partners every three day, and begin to form "relationships" with the other people on the boat, However, in accordance with reality showrules, every three days, one man and one woman are kicked off the boat. However, in accordance with reality show rules, and sent to "Loser Island," aka Aruba. The last couple standing, in a jury process reminiscent of Survivor, walks away with a cash prize and a trip around the world.



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Love Cruise set sail just this past week. Viewers can look forward to debauchery ad nauseum in weeks to come.

To make things a little more interesting, every other night the cruise members gather for a game of "truth or dare." They are asked questions that have been submitted by other cast members earlier in the day. If their answers are not satisfactory, they have to perform a dare. The object of this is to get to know the cast members better and have the chance to ask anonymously the questions that they would never have the courage to ask faceto face.

The show itself is somewhat ridiculous, which is expected from almost any reality show. However, unlike Temptation Island or Survivor, most of the participants are not likeable and you won't find yourself getting attached to them. The cast members are just a little too fake and contrived. Emotions on the show just seem too much at times. The women seem far too catty, backstabbing each other as well as the guys on the show, and the men are egotistical. If you're looking for love, as these sixteen people supposedly are, this is not the place to find it. Bottom line, it's cheesy and it could have been better, but anyone who loves reality TV, definitely check the show out and decide for himself. It's not as good as Temptation Island, but it will hold you over until Survivor starts. Check local listings for times, since the show doesn't have a regular schedule yet. This week, the show will be Monday and Tuesday at 9 p.m on Channel 33. Tune in to see who gets kicked off this week and what "love bonds" have been established. For more information check out www.fox.com/lovecruise/, which offers explanation of the rules, description of the cast, and episode summaries.

The Glass House

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stantly bathed in the blue light of the swimming pool and is breath-takingly eerie.

The film is entertaining and fast-paced. It has its moments, but overall it is a clichéd ride through a relatively banal storyline. A little more originality, and vision would have resulted in a better production. Instead of focusing on the overall condition of the film, from the first scene itself the writers and director are too busy trying to portray this film as a deeply intense, psychological thriller and not another *Scream* esque teen flick. Unfortunately the completely transparent storyline and lack of detail makes this film exactly that.

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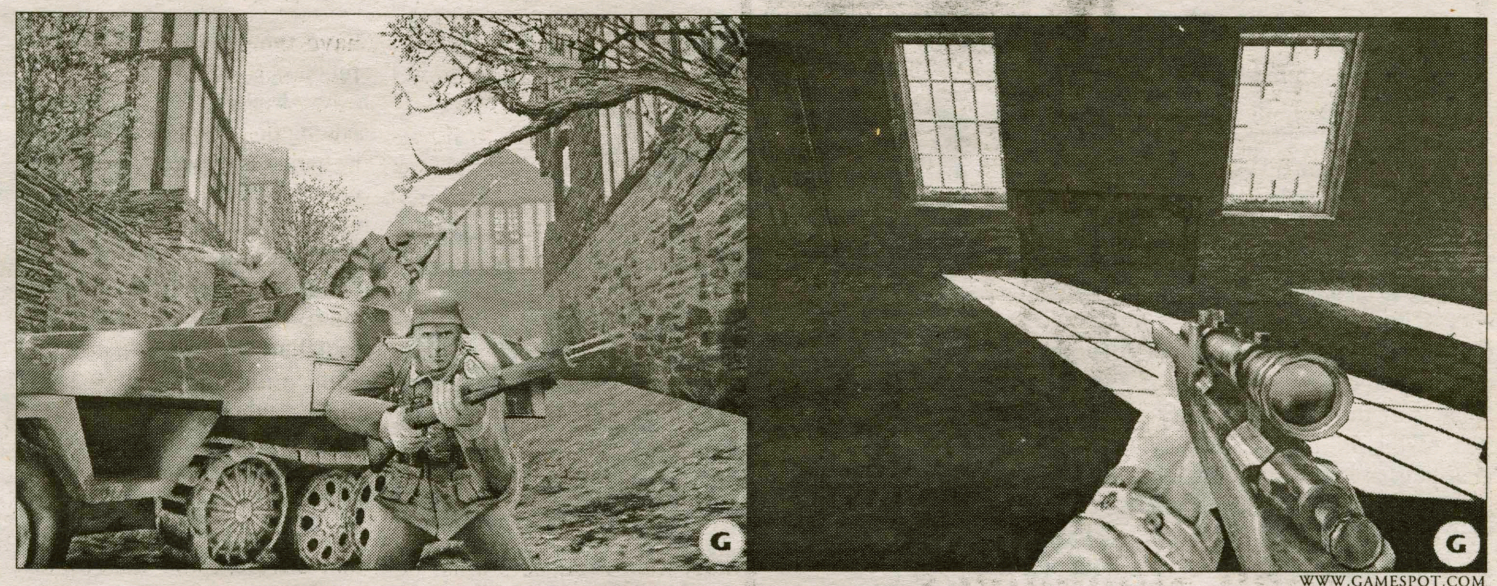
Gaming Corner: Medal of Honor

Mithat Yaltir '03 takes an extended look at the upcoming PC shooter, Medal of Honor: Allied Assault



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Medal of Honor: Allied Assault is a first-person shooter game in which the gamer assumes the role of Lieutenant Powell, a US Army Ranger, during World War II. It was originally released for PlayStation, and the PC version is under development by Electronic Arts (EA).

The plot reminds me of a game called "World War II GI." Although the graphics are out of date even for its time, it was the only game I could find on the market that lets the gamers hit the beaches of France on June 6th, 1944.

Curious about the prospects of Medal of Honor, I bought the PlayStation version not long after its release. Electronic Arts did a good job with graphics and sound effects in re-creating the environment of the Second World War. Unfortunately, first person shooters are not as much fun when one has to use the game controller. Keyboard and mouse combination is ideal for playing such games. At the time, a PC version sounded like a better idea exactly for this reason.

Recently, trailers and new screenshots for the game went online. Four of these trailers show the mission based on D-Day. In the beginning we find Lieutenant Powell in a landing craft along with fellow soldiers that will hit the beach on the first wave. As soon as the ram of the landing craft goes down, Soldiers of the Third Reich start the rain of bullets. One has to move through the obstacles and get to the shingle as fast as possible. On the way you see fellow soldiers blown to pieces, medics treating wounded, terrified soldiers praying, radiomen calling for reinforcements and even soldiers resisting their superior officers.

The trailers seemed familiar to me and it didn't take long me to realize that the plot of the invasion is extremely similar to the movie *Saving Private Ryan.* The development manager of EA indicated that *Saving Private Ryan* is the closest one could get to experience D-Day. Therefore, the development team decided to use the features of the movie.

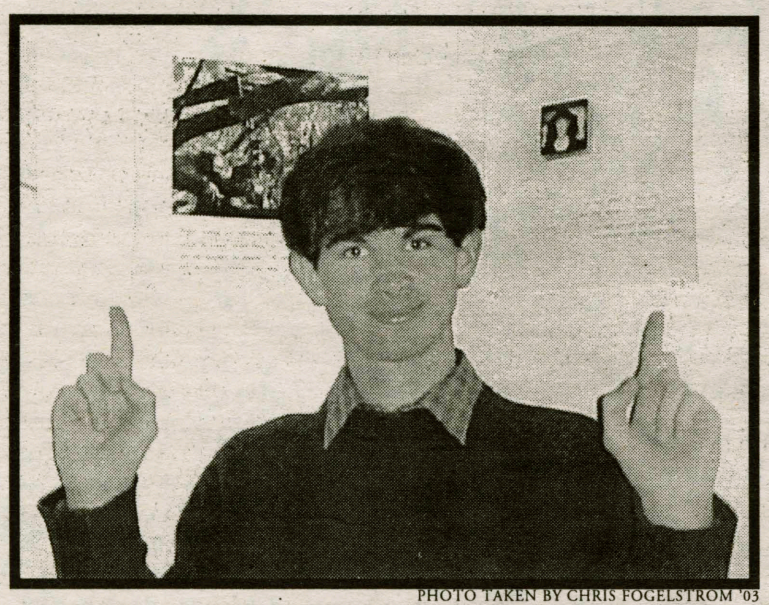
From the trailers, one could deduce that the game is designed to be realistic. The uniforms, landing crafts, and weapons of both sides are accurately designed. Even actions of the soldiers reflect reality. One shot in the chest with a M1 Garand and the enemy is dead. The sound effects play a crucial role for the game. The developing team did an awesome job in creating the annoying noise the bullets make and the sound of the guns are accurate as well.

One possible flaw in the game is that I didn't hear Lieutenant Powell talk. Other non-player characters (NPC) talk to Powell but I didn't hear him respond. Another is the fact that although enemies and NPCs die instantly upon being shot, it doesn't apply to Powell. During the trailer he is hit by on MG 42 and still survived. It could be that the developers are "cheating" to show prospect gamers all the aspects of the game.

Medal of Honor: Allied Assault seemed like an excellent prospect for the fans of first-person shooters. Can it beat Max Payne? It is hard to tell without playing the actual game, but with a licensed Quake 3 engine, *Medal of Honor* stands a good chance.

"I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure!"

-Someone



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Karsten Lund '03 shows off his work in List.

Artsy Fartsy

Name? Karsten Lund '03

Home? Northfield, Minnesota

Major? Studio art, with a concentration in photography

Minor? Creative writing

Three words that describe him? I am me!

Chances are you've seen him? At a student assembly meeting, at an ultimate Frisbee game, volunteering with the Humane Society, or working at Café Opus.

Hobbies? anything and everything!

Likes? good people, Fall, Spring and Summer, and Hamilton College

Dislikes? The name of this column

Is inspired by? new experiences. Friends and family influence who I am personally. But mostly I don't have one single influence. I am interested in a lot of things.

Favorite Book? 'The Invisible Man' by Ralph Ellison

Favorite Band? Radiohead, U2 and Dispatch

Favorite Food? Thai, Sara's Falafels and good ol' pizza

Before graduation? Making sure ELS is going to be a student union

On turning 21? I will be studying abroad in Nepal

On Creativity at Hamilton? There is a great deal of creativity at this school, but there is no real outlet. But organizations like CAB and Café Opus are doing good by providing opportunities to upcoming musicians.

Words of advice to other artists? Keep a sense of humor in your art. You can say something worth while, and still make someone laugh.

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Spaceballs will surely strike you

LINGHUA PU '05 LOOKS BACK AT AN OLD FAVORITE.

After a series of recent satire failures, Hollywood should really look at some great classics like Space Balls to figure out the equation for success again. I mean Nowadays, producers seem to think that is they can take some great movies and rip off a couple of scenes, voila, they have created a classic satire like Space Balls. However, this simply isn't the case. The fact remain: to make a great satire, you need more than just plagiarism.

Creativity is key. Not only must the producers must be crafty in putting all of the scenes together, they must create a cohesive and intriguing plotline. For that, I must commend the producers and directors of Space Balls for they have produced a masterpiece by making fun of one of the best sci-fi trilogys of all time, Star Wars trilogy, at the same time, poked fun at many other movies.

While Space Balls doesn't have the gripping special effects of some of today's sci-fi movies and may seem unpolished from scene to scene, these same qualities that make this movie the funny and hysterical classic that it is. *Space Balls* deviates from the seriousness that defines its cinematic counter parts. By taking Luke Skywalker's valiance and combining it with Hans Solo's guile, Director Mel Brooks creates the amusing protagonist named Lone Star (Bill Pullman). From time to time he crosses the fine line that differentiates the Honorable Skywalker from the slick Solo and gives the audience bundles of laughter. At the same time, director Mel Brooks also introduces the ultimate and hilarious Darth Vader wannabe, Lord Dark Helmet (Rick Moranis). Like Darth Vader, will stop at nothing to intimidate all that is around him. However, Dr. Helmet is only five feet tall, with a head that is almost half the size of his body.

Space Balls caps off the frenzy of satires by mocking other the Star Wars characters, including Jabba the Hut who in space balls becoms Pizza the Hut, and chewy chewy who in *Space Balls* become Barf , the half man and half dog creature. Saving the best for last, Yoda from Star War's *The Empire Strikes Back,* is the all wise Yogurt (Mel Brooks), who teaches Lone Star not how to focus the "force," but how to focus the "shwartz".

The movie's charm of satires does not end there, but since I don't want to ruin it for all those who haven't seen it, I'll just say that the movie goes on to make fun of other movies, ranging from *Aliens* to *Planet of the Apes.* None the less, *Space Ball stays* within the parameter of the classical hero's quest cycle with sacred marriages and a elixir that will save the princesses kingdom.

THE SPECTACLE

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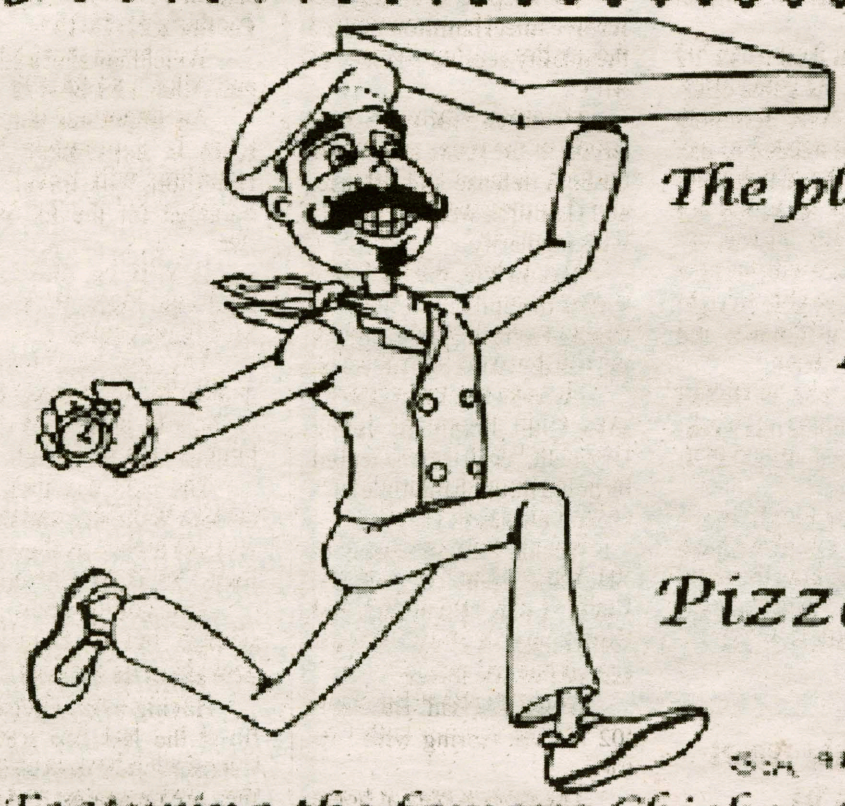

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Women's Field Hockey mounts second half comeback

Continentals lose to #16 St. Lawrence in final minutes

by Lauren Reynolds '02
SPORTS EDITOR

Last Tuesday's contest against sixteenth ranked St. Lawrence was a nail biter for the struggling Continental field hockey team.

St. Lawrence got off to a quick start, scoring two goals early in the first half. Hamilton left the field disappointed with their first half, but determined to come back in the second.

St. Lawrence scored early in the second half, widening the gap to 3-0. However, Hamilton was not going down without a fight, and they found their leader in Eden Self '04.

Self, the team's leading scorer, helped to break the shut-out with an assist to rookie Beth Conway '05. Three minutes later, Heather Pratt '04 chipped in another goal, closing the gap to one.

"Pratt played really well," commented tri-captain Jenny Russell '02.

St. Lawrence was able to gain control of the ball and increase their lead to two; however, the lead would not last for long.

PHOTO BY JUSTINE BODE '04

Tri-captain Christina Freyre '02 led the attack against nationally ranked St. Lawrence last Tuesday.

The talented Amy Mills '04 was able to connect with Pratt for the Conts' third goal. Minutes later, Russell converted a deflected shot from Pratt to even the score.

Goalkeeper Sarah Baldwin '04 made ten saves for the day.

"This was the best game we've played so far, against the best team we've played so far," commented Russell. "We came out in the second half confident that we could score."

Self agreed, commenting, "We played awesome, we just didn't win. We came back from being down four goals to tie the game - something we haven't accomplished all year."

The Continentals struggled for control of the ball for the remainder of the game.

With three minutes left, a St. Lawrence attacker broke away from her defender and scored St. Lawrence's final and winning goal. St. Lawrence marks the fourth game that the Continentals have lost by two goals or less.

Each time, the Continentals have improved a part of their game; their work on offense was evident in their second half efforts against St. Lawrence.

"The practice we put in on offense really paid off on Tuesday," commented Self. "Now we are working on defense. We got killed on fast breaks against St. Lawrence, so we are working on containment defenses now."

Last weekend, the team lost two tough games to R.P.I and Vassar in their NESCAC kick-off weekend.

"If we had played the way we did on Tuesday against R.P.I. and Vassar, we would have walked all over them," commented Self.

Though a relatively young and inexperienced team, Hamilton is guided by its tri-captains Colleen Trzaskos '02, Christina Freyre '02 and Russell.

"These girls have been on the team for four years, and have been playing with coach for four years," commented Self. "They know how to get it done, and their effort in practice and in the game is great to watch and a great inspiration."

The Continentals will look to their seniors to control the pace of the game this weekend. On Friday, the team returns to the turf to face Cortland, currently ranked third in the nation.

"They are a great team, but we can play with them," said Self.

If the team plays with the confidence and poise seen in Tuesday's match-up against St. Lawrence, Cortland will face a very tough team.

"St. Lawrence's game gave us confidence and a renewed desire to go on. We know now that on any given day we can beat a team with a better ranking than us," commented Russell.

Men's and Women's Rugby dominate opponents

by Ray Ash '02
SPORTS WRITER

The Hamilton men's rugby team played against a strong Cortland team last Saturday and came away with a 19-10 win.

The men had lost their first match of the year against Colgate, 36-30, and needed to stay focused after a cancelled match against Albany.

Against Cortland though, they were ready to make the result different.

Brian Schulte '02 decided to take the game into his own hands on the opening kickoff and set the tone for the rest of the day with an enormous hit on an obviously overmatched Cortland player.

Commenting on that hit, inside-center Chris "Humps" Humphrey '04 said, "Wow. I mean Schulte just leveled that guy. From that hit, I knew that we could take it to them for the rest of the game."

The Exiles did exactly that. With superb work in the back line, Hamilton was able to work its way close to Cortland's try zone and eventually put one in by swinging the ball out to Greg "Abs" Regan '04 who was able to beat Cortland's defenders to score the first try of the match.

After that, Hamilton started playing their game and never looked back.

The Exiles relied on great work in the pack with returning starters John Hauptfleisch '02 and Matt Millett '02 and the new hooker, Rob "Kitty" Parker '04.

The Exiles were able to put another score in before the half with a great run by Kevin Brown '02 down the sideline to beat several defenders and put Hamilton up by a count of 12-0.

The second half opened with a slightly flatter Hamilton team.

They let up a quick score by Cortland at the start of the second half.

However, Hamilton regained the momentum quickly, once again taking control of the flow of play.

With strong play coming from the back line led by "Sugar" Ray Ash '02 and Ben Crabtree '03 and aided by the swift foot and powerful moves of Scott Lang '02, the Exiles kept the ball in their possession for the majority of the half.

Approximately 25 minutes in, Kevin Brown '02 decided to finish off the Cortland team.

Taking a kick around midfield, Brown wove and juked his way around numerous Cortland players to put the game on ice.

Said Nick "Hands" Roberge '03 on the run, "Kevin is one fast kid. He really made some people look silly. It was a pretty thing to watch."

Hamilton let up one last score, but it did not matter with the expiration of time occurring immediately afterwards to give the team their first win of the season.

Co-Captain Paul Ryan '02 commented on the game afterwards. "There were definitely some things we needed to pay attention to as the match went on, but it was great to get our first win," he said. "I was extremely impressed with the new players who were able to right away make a difference and contribute to the team."

The Exiles take on Hobart this Saturday at home this weekend, and look to continue their winning streak.

"It might be tough, but if we can win out, I think we have a great shot at making the State Championships," said Co-Captain John Hauptfleisch '02.

Women's rugby report

by Jamie Skiba '02
SPORTS WRITER

Last Saturday the Hamilton Women's Rugby Football Club traveled to St. John Fisher College (SJFC).

The Cardinals proved to be a more difficult team than Hamilton's most recent opponent, Alfred.

But SJFC could not withstand Hamilton's onslaught.

Throughout the game Hamilton showed a tremendous amount of teamwork.

By keeping a strong defensive line, Hamilton limited the quality scoring chances of SJFC.

Hamilton's forwards were strong in the rucks and mauls on both defense and offense, and Hamilton won the scrums with regularity.

Meanwhile, the back line stayed disciplined in their attack and were thus able to move the ball down the field quickly.

"It was a true team effort," says Club President Jenna Bussman, "each try was scored by going through multiple successful phases of play".

Rookie Gillian Chapman '04, Katie "Beav" Beaver '03, Lindy "Linda" Roath '02, and Courtenay Kelley '02 all scored one try apiece.

Jenna "Big Bad" Bussman '02 led the scoring with two tries.

The women play at home this Saturday against Buffalo at 11 AM at the IM soccer fields.

LAUREN
Look for her in a theater near you. (Back row, making out.)

Golf places 7th

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"We were able to bounce back from Skidmore and play some solid golf," Coach Lee said.

Ferrero was the top performer, with a consistent 74-74-148. Leach was right behind him with a 77-77-154, followed by Paolini's 81-76-157.

Weichman shot a 82-78-160 and Allen a 84-88-172.

An important date for the team is September 28th, as Hamilton will travel back to Saratoga for the ECAC qualifier.

It will be played at the Saratoga State Park, not the McGregor course.

The top four teams will qualify for the ECAC Championships to be played over Columbus Day Weekend.

The next day they will go back to Williams, and the stakes will get higher as they compete for the NESCAC Championship.

The competition will be staunch, but the team is confident about its chances.

Having faced Division III's finest the last few weeks, the Continentals have an idea of what they are up against and are confident they can perform well.

Weichmann commented, "We have a great shot at winning NESCACs this weekend."

If the Continentals play their best golf the next few days, they will extend their fall season by at least another week.

Play it again, Mike... Actually, don't

When the most prolific scorer in NBA history says that he's going to make a second return to the hard wood from retirement, something has got to be wrong.

BRENT CEBUL

Last Sunday the Washington Post reported that Michael Jordan was coming back to the NBA, this time to play for the pitiful Washington Wizards.

Jordan, whose first return from retirement resulted in three more World Championships for the Chicago Bulls from 1996 through 1998, has no business coming back. He is 38 years old and three years removed from substantial competition. Sure he was a hoops god, and I didn't question him the first time he came back.

This time, though, it can't end up well. First of all, there has been a changing of the guard that clearly has coincided with the changing of the generations.

Allen Iverson, Vince Carter, and Kobe Bryant are younger and faster than Jordan. This is not to say that it won't be fun to see Jordan go against Carter, Bryant, or Iverson.

What it means is that though Jordan may have some of his skills left, he simply won't be able to keep up with the younger superstars.

Furthermore, Jordan is also not going back to the Chicago Bulls. Instead, he's signing on with the Washington Wizards for whom he was the General Manager the last three seasons. Michael Jordan in a Washington Wizards uniform.

It doesn't exactly conjure up a very powerful or intimidating image.

Jordan was Jordan in a blood red Chicago uniform. The stark contrast of his number 23, white against the red, red against the white Wizard teal and orange doesn't exactly send chills down my spine. Oh, and the name Wizards. Michael Jordan will be a Wizard. Wizard. Wizard. Just say it to yourself. Wizard.

The only way the sports history books will be kind to Jordan is if, by some twisted and ridiculous turn of fate, Jordan himself, along with the additions of Tyronn Lue (backup point guard acquired from the Lakers) and Brendan Haywood (rookie center) can somehow turn around a team that won a paltry 19 games while losing 63 last season.

The other problem with the Wizards is that their leading scorer from a year ago, Richard Hamilton at 18.1 points per game, plays Jordan's position.

Do you think His Royal Airness will ride the pine? Neither do I. Add to that the fact that the only non-rookie player on the roster who can play center is Christian Laettner.

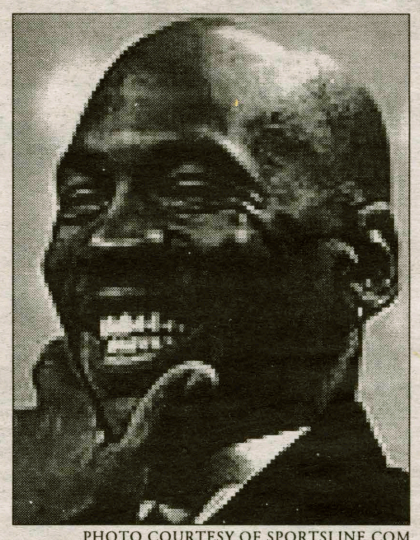
The only other two players big enough for the position are Kwame Brown, a high-schooler and the first pick in this year's draft, and Brendan Haywood, a sophomore from North Carolina.

Presumably leaving the center position up to Laettner leaves the Wizards very bare in the middle. Juwon Howard is gone, leaving Popeye Jones and Loy Vaught to tutor young forwards Etan Thomas and Jahidid White. Popeye and Loy are not the ideal tutors.

What all of this adds up to is a very poor rebounding and defensive team. Jordan, as general manager, laid the foundations for a solid Wizard future. That future, however, is a long way off, perhaps three or four years.

Adding himself into the lineup will only take playing time away from Courtney Alexander and Richard Hamilton, two of the more promising young Wizards.

He will affect any chemistry that might develop between Hamilton, Alexander, Lue, Brown, and Haywood, all supposedly the future of the organization. It is a seemingly bright future, at that. Jordan's return,



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Hoops great Michael Jordan

while it will certainly sell tickets, is destined to turn the Wizards from a promising young squad into a traveling circus.

He may even put up some decent numbers. He might hit some clutch shots. He might drop some jaws. The problem, however, is that those numbers, shots and jaws will only be during the regular season.

The hallmark of Jordan's career was his ability to win championships. He will not play in any games that matter while he wears a Washington Wizards uniform. Who wants to cheer for Michael the Wizard? In the end though, it is certain that this will be more fun than watching him try to hit a curveball.

Beat the Experts

Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *Hamilton's Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester and will be entitled to all the perks therein, namely an all-expense paid dinner with our devilishly attractive **Sports Editors, Lauren and Andy, as well as his or her picture in *The Spectator*.**

Specially Selected Sporting Events	**Chris Preston** *Spectator Managing Editor* **Last Week: 11-9 To date: 5-5**	**Lauren Reynolds** *Spectator Sports Editor* **Last Week 10-10 To date: 5-5**	**Andy Horner** *Spectator Sports Editor* **Last Week: 14-6 To date: 9-1**	**Dan Kaufmann** *Spectator I&I Contributor* **Last Week: 13-7 To date: 5-5**	**Chuck Spiliotis** *Spectator Ass. Sports Editor* **Last Week: 12-8 To date: 6-4**	**Paul P. Jones** *Junior Guest #3* **Last Week's Guest: Jon Fehlman 7-3**
MLB						
Oakland at Seattle 9/29	A's	Mariners	A's	A's	Mariners	Mariners
NY Mets at Atlanta 9/29	Braves	Mets	Mets	Braves	Braves	Mets
Houston at Cubs 9/29	Astros	Astros	Astros	Cubs	Cubs	Cubs
Angels at Arizona 9/29	Diamondbacks	Diamondbacks	Diamondbacks	Diamondbacks	Diamonbacks	Bald Eagle
NFL						
Miami at St. Louis 9/30	Rams	Dolphins	Dolphins	Rams	Rams	Rams
NY Giants at New Orleans 9/30	Saints	Giants	Saints	Giants	Saints	Saints
Cincinatti at San Diego 9/30	Chargers	Bengals	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers
Baltimore at Denver 9/30	Broncos	Ravens	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Ravens
Dallas at Philadelphia 9/30	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles
Atlanta at Arizona 9/30	Falcons	Falcons	Falcons	Cardinals	Cardinals	Bald Eagle

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator*. Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

Continental Golf takes seventh place

by Fred Shear '03
SPORTS WRITER

The Hamilton College golf team had an up and down week with a sub par showing at the Skidmore Fall Classic, followed by a better performance at the Williams Invitational.

The Continentals finished seventh out of eleven teams at Skidmore and 11th out of 16 teams at Williams.

At the Skidmore Fall Classic at McGregor Golf Course in Saratoga Springs, the Continentals shot a one day score of 334, twenty five strokes behind the winning Skidmore squad, a very formidable opponent. Williams, Middlebury, Western New England, Oswego State, and RPI finished ahead of Hamilton.

The Continentals topped Nazareth, Utica, Springfield and Manhattanville.

The Hamilton team thought their showing was somewhat lackluster.

John Allen '05 said, "At Skidmore the team was very disappointed with our play, the course was difficult and challenging, but we did not play to our potential."

One golfer who played well and continues to perform at a high level is Tyler Leach '02.

Leach shot a 79, which is a good score for the McGregor course. His score placed him 15th overall. Other scoring Continentals included Allen, 84 (31st overall), Andy Weichmann '02, 85 (35th overall), and Tom Paolini '03, 86 (42nd overall).

Though their eleventh place finish at Williams may not look impressive on paper, the Continentals thought it was a definite improvement over Wednesday's performance.

Hamilton shot a 314-305-619 for the two day Invitational. The home team Williams shot an unbelievable 293-290-583 to notch the win. Skidmore was second with a 592.

Other NESCAC and UCAA schools included 6th place St. Lawrence, 8th place Middlebury, and 14th place Amherst.

"The team had a much better showing at Williams. Even though other teams scores were very low, we played very solid golf and could not be disappointed with how we played," commented Allen.

*see **Golf**, page 17*

Spec Sports Spotlight

Spotlight on: Huy Huynh '03 Interviewed by: Paul P. Jones '03

This weeks Spectator "Athlete of the Week" is star soccer player Huy Huynh. The eleventh ranked men's soccer team has yet to allow a goal this season and is anchored by this savvy, smart defenseman. Forwards and midfielders often get a lot of credit because they score the goals, but instead of picking one of the team's other stars like Mike Thompson or Schuyler Gellatly, the Athlete of the Week Committee chose to recognize a Continental Defender.

The Basics...
Name: Huy Huynh
Year: Junior
Sport: Soccer
Position: Sweeper
Record: 4-0, team ranked 7th in the country.
Hometown, High School: Endicott NY, Seton Catholic High School
Major/Minor: Math/Education
Collegiate awards and accolades: Coleman Burke Scholarship for sports and academics at Hamilton.
Goals for the season: Making it to the tourney.
Most respected opponent: St. Lawrence, we broke their 59 game winning streak last year, in the sweet 16 to advance to the elite 8. They are always a tough team and definitely going to stand in the way for us to win the UCAAs and get into the NCAA tournament.
Role model: Older brother Hoang, he is a very down to earth guy. If I ever have any problems I can give him a call and he reminds of what is important.
Game rituals or superstions: I don't like warming up with the team. I like to isolate myself when we are stretching to gain focus and psyche myself up.
Biggest clutch performance in your life: The shut out of St. Lawrence last year, I had a couple of key defensive one-on-one takeaways.
Most memorable sports moment: Senior night in high school. Everyone who was important in my life at that time was there.
Family: Mom (Phan), Dad (Son), an older brother Hoang, and younger brother Hy.
Family heritage: Parents are from Vietnam, while I was born in the U.S. I am hoping to study abroad next semester in Vietnam.
Last book you read for fun: Harry Potter's second book. Those books are the best.
What do you see yourself doing in 10 years: I can see myself as a high school math teach, hopefully coaching soccer at the same time.

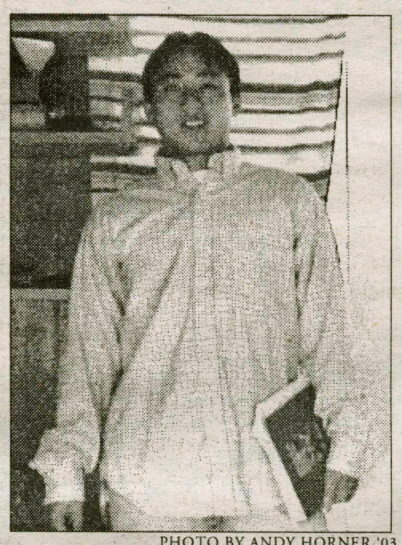


PHOTO BY ANDY HORNER '03
Huy Huynh '03, a true scholar - athlete.

Favorite Movie: *10 Things I Hate About You*, Julia Stiles is so hot, and I love *Shawshank Redemption* too.
If you could be one person for a day, who would it be: It would be my mom or dad when they were my age in Vietnam. I think it'd show me how far my parents have come and help me to really appreciate what they've done for my family.

Now let's really find out about Huy...
Commons, tray or no tray: No tray, I make multiple trips.
No way, you did not seem like one of 'those' people, please explain: I like to take my time moving through the courses one at a time. Salad, then an entrée, and always a bowl of Corn Flakes to complete the meal.
Bowling, a sport: Yes, I always have a blast bowling.
If you were a tree what kind of tree would you be: That tree over by the turf field. There is this one tree over there that stands by itself, I don't know what kind of tree it is, but you should go over and take a look at it.
How do you like your steak: Rare, I love it bloody.
Favorite campus safety officer: Craig, a nice guy.
Hamilton College hook-up curve theory, are you a believer: Absolutely!
Now to the questions everyone seems to be a bit confused on, a Bald eagle and a dolphin get in a fight, who wins: Definitely a dolphin.
I totally disagree, but now say the eagle is trained to poke out the dolphins eyes, and the dolphin is in less than 4 feet of water, who wins now: The dolphin, what I am saying is that the dolphin is so large, if he gets in one hit, the game is over.
Huy you are making zero sense now, let me try another angle. Do we go to school in Upstate New York or Central New York: Upstate.
Huy, I am getting really angry now, will you please take a look at a map of New York State. We are definitely in Upstate New York. We are above Binghamton and New York City.
Huy this interview is over, first you are wrong with the dolphin and now you try and tell me that we don't go to school in CNY. I should have picked Mike Thompson or Sky Gellatly.

SAAC addresses sportsmanship

In light of recent and past events at home athletic contests, the Hamilton College Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) feels it is necessary to release the following statement.

We as student athletes here at Hamilton College believe in and support good sportsmanship and ethical conduct at all athletic contests. We also support the standards of conduct in the Hamilton College Student Handbook, the UCAA and NESCAC codes of conduct, and the principles of sportsmanship and ethical conduct adopted by the NCAA.

We believe that all sports teams, students, faculty/staff and other visitors should comport themselves in a respectful and decent manner while attending intercollegiate athletic contests.

We also support the following statement taken from the NCAA Principles of Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. "For intercollegiate athletics to promote character development of participants, to enhance the integrity of higher education and to promote civility in society, student-athletes, coaches, and all others associated with these athletics programs and events should adhere to such fundamental values as respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility. These values should be manifest not only in athletics participation but also in the broad spectrum of activities affecting the athletics program."

We believe that a good fan is someone who will support our teams in a respectful and positive manner. The athletic teams themselves are not the only ones responsible for representing the institution of Hamilton College.

It is the responsibility of all fans as well. Spectators are encouraged to support our team's effort. Please refrain from using profanity and from singling out any player by name or number. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

-The Hamilton College Student Athlete Advisory Committee

(The Hamilton College Student Athlete Advisory Committee is comprised of a representative from each varsity athletic team. The purpose of this committee is to promote communication between the Hamilton College Athletic Department and the student-athlete population.)

Men's Cross Country places sixth against tough competition

by Paul Kibbe '05
SPORTS WRITER

The men's cross country team saw their best competition so far this year last weekend at the Purple Valley Classic held at Williams College.

The Continentals placed sixth out of nine teams but overall it was still a positive weekend.

"It was a tough field," said Coach Hull. "We needed to see great runners to help us prepare for the Championship meets. We had a decent pack and some people ran great individual races for us. Andrew Matlock '03 made great improvements and Matt Drescher '05 really stepped it up."

The meet at Williams had teams from Division II and top level Division III.

The teams included Dartmouth, who won the race, Williams, who is ranked 13th in all of Division III, St. Lawrence, who the Continentals will run against again this weekend in the UCAA Championship meets, and Southern Connecticut, a strong Division II team.

"We are working for the Championship meets in the end and seeing good competition now will only help us," said Hull.

For the third week in a row, Mac Weiss '02 led the Continentals, finishing 23rd with a time of 28:10.

Ryan Murelli '02, placed 28th, finishing the five-mile course in 28:23.

Matt Drecsher '05 came in 34th with a time of just under 29:00 and John Demaske '02 finished the course in 29:00 placing him 36th.

Other Continentals who finished the course were Chris Dunn '05 and Andrew Matlock '03 with times of 29:23 and 29:41 respectively.

This weekend the Continentals travel back to Saratoga Springs where they ran against Union and won earlier this year.

This time the team is running in the UCAA Championship meet against much stringer competition.

Some of the teams that the Continentals will see this weekend include, Hobart, St. Lawrence, RPI, Union, Vassar and Clarkson.

"It should be a good meet this weekend. Hopefully we'll see a faster course. We've run on two very challenging courses the past two weeks. It's the Union course which we ran on earlier in the year so hopefully our people will be familiar with it," said Hull.

Wish our Managing Editor Chris Preston '03 a very Happy 21st Birthday. And if you see him passed out by a tree outside South, call x2549. Thanks!

Sports

#11 Men's Soccer keeps shutout streak alive

Conts blow by Utica, 7-0

by Josh Sargen '05
SPORTS WRITER

Improvement is always possible no matter how successful a team is. The eleventh ranked men's soccer team exemplified this idea offensively in their last two games.

A thrilling 1-0 home victory against Rensselaer followed up by a dominating 7-0 performance against Utica demonstrated significant offensive progress.

Coming into the game against RPI, the Continentals had scored only three goals in their first two games.

One of the reasons behind this lack of scoring was the high quality of their first two opponents, Middlebury and Vassar. Nevertheless, Hamilton had numerous chances to score more than the three goals they produced.

This trend of missed quality chances continued against RPI. Coach Perry Nizzi commented, "[The score] didn't show the opportunities we created. We played a solid game offensively but we broke down in certain areas such as passing and shots on goal. There were about five solid scoring chances where we just missed."

The sixth scoring opportunity was capitalized on, however, in an exhilarating fashion. With fifty-five seconds left in the game, co-captain Sky Gellatly '03 stole the ball from an RPI defender around the right corner of the eighteen-yard box and drilled a shot passed the opposing goalie.

The home crowd was elated and the Continentals earned their third victory of the year.

Gellatly was happy with defeating RPI but also realized the offense needed to score more to relieve the defense. The junior attributed the team's inability to execute on scoring opportunities on the relatively short time that they have been playing together.

"The offense is still getting in sync and it takes a while for a team to develop continuity. With the losses of Dimitri Maurice and Chris Steed we are re-organizing. Steed scored half of our goals so we lost a lot of attacking potency. But now there are a lot more scoring opportunities for other guys like Wes (Sherman '04) and Ernest (Kwarteng '02)."

Gellatly attributed the scoring opportunities to the high level of talent on the offensive side of the ball but also to the tremendous defense that plays behind them.

"It's nice to know you have a great defense. You can play a little more unconventional and know that a stellar defense is behind you," he commented.

That defense came through once again and continued their shutout streak to an amazing 270 minutes.

Coach Nizzi said, "The shutout speaks for itself. The scoring chances were kept to a minimum and RPI was shooting from way outside the box. We can't ask any more out of our defense."

Sweeper Huy Huynh '03 pointed out that the strength of the backfield can be shown through the consistency of the talent level amongst the fullbacks.

"We have four fullbacks who can come in any time and produce at the same high level," he added. "If we don't get scored on we can't lose."

Behind those fullbacks, goalie Doug Bellard '02 made five solid saves.

"It was another outstanding performance from Doug," Nizzi explained.

Prior to the Utica game, Coach Nizzi said the team's goals would include attempting to score a more goals. "You hope the defense will shut everyone out but at one point you need to score two or three goals to win games," he commented.

Gellatly hopes the team would score more and said, "[The game] provided a good opportunity to gain confidence offensively."

The offense gained a great deal of confidence following the Utica victory and surpassed everyone's expectations by tallying seven goals.

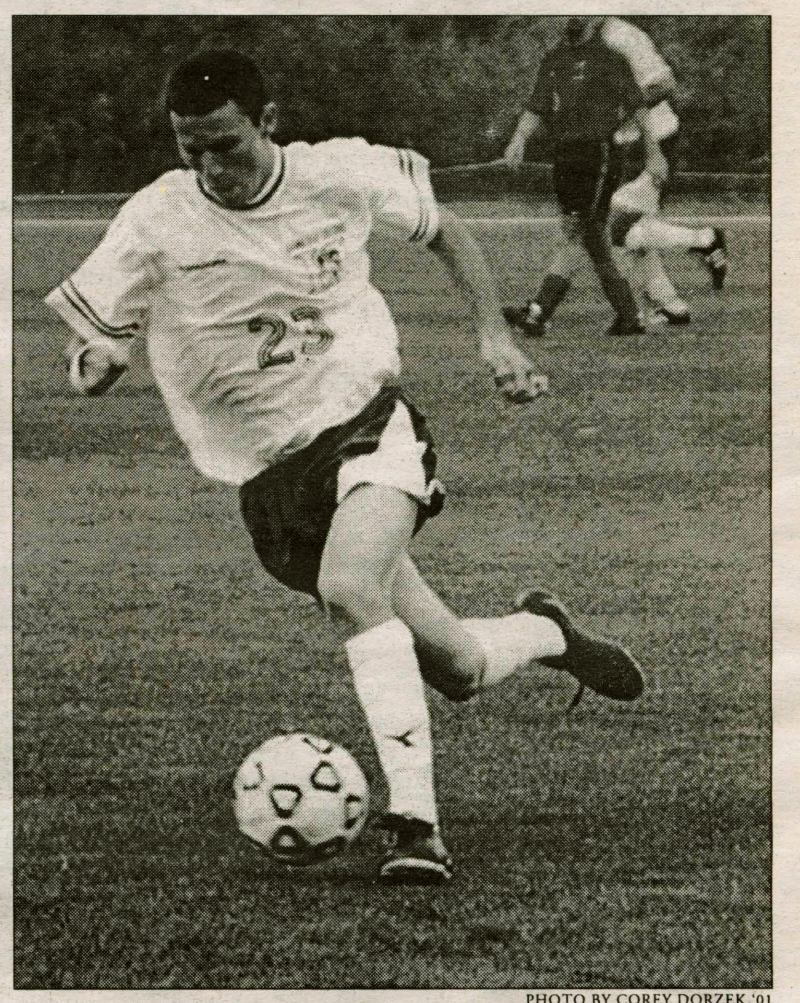
Coach Nizzi said, "It was an outstanding performance. The offense really gelled and our finishing was great. Hopefully this will jumpstart the offense."

Nizzi also praised the midfield and the team's depth. "The midfield stepped it up. Dave Alchus played a couple of nice balls and Mike Thompson scored the goal he has worked so hard for," he commented. "The midfield did what it is capable of. Our depth also helped us a lot. We played thirty players and were able to keep the starters fresh for the second half. Jake Shapiro ('05), Neville Maina ('04), Nick Sarro-Waite ('03), Brian Smith ('02), and Andy Vermilyea ('04) provided great performances off the bench."

The Utica victory, as well as the improvement in offensive production seen in that game, seemed to provide the team with a great deal of confidence.

Coach Nizzi believes the team should be confident going into Friday and Saturday's league road matches against Skidmore and Union because they have already defeated a league power, Middlebury, away.

"That was a great game for us," he said. "The team should have a lot of self-confidence because they went into one of the toughest places and won. If they carry that confidence into this weekend we should be in a good position."



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Wes Sherman '04 brings the ball through the midfield in a recent game. Hamilton will look to many players for offense in the coming weeks.

Women's Cross Country takes Second at Williams

Maggie Hanson '02 continues to lead the pack

by Michael Everhart '02
sports writer

The women's cross-country team finished second last weekend, 22 points behind host Williams at the Purple Valley Classic in Williamstown, MA. St. Lawrence finished third, 28 points behind the Continentals.

Coach Ellen Hull said, "Williams is one of the top teams in the nation and ran a good race. We also ran well and the meet gives us an idea of where we are right now."

Leading the team for the third consecutive week was co-captain Maggie Hanson '02, with a time of 18:35, 29 seconds ahead of the next finisher.

Her time set a new course record because Williams slightly changed the course for this season.

Co-captain Becca Walker '02 said, "Williams added a section to the course while taking out another section, and made it more spectator friendly. There were fans all over the course encouraging us, which was nice."

Finishing fifth in the event was Jen Cammarano '03, with a time of 19:49, followed by Julianna Allport '05 in fourteenth with a time of 20:54.

"It was a challenging course and there were lots of parents," said Hanson. "We ran well, and I think we'll be closer to Williams in bigger meets like NESCAC's."

In her first meet of the season, Annie Toth '02 finished right behind Allport with a time of 20:58. Rounding out the top five was Margo Rockwell '05, who finished seventeenth with a time of 21:10.

Walker said, "The meet is a benchmark for what we need to do for the rest of the season. Right now we're in a pretty good position."

The duo of Maura Boyle '04 and Emily Cooper '05 finished twenty-ninth and thirtieth with times of 22:06 and 22:09.

Freshmen Molly Wilson and Greer Mahoney finished forty-third and forty-ninth with times of 22:48 and 23:16.

Although complete results were not available for the rest of the team, Lara Clemenzi '04, Walker, Ruth Leoniuk '05, Marisabel Portillo '03, Thanh-Thao Tran '05, and Jen Manierre '05 finished tenth through fifteenth on the team with times ranging from 23:28 to 29:16.

Tomorrow the team, now ranked eighteenth nationally, competes in Saratoga Springs for the second time this season at the UCAA Championships against St. Lawrence, RPI, Union, Vassar, and William Smith.

Hull said, "We want to win again this year, but it won't be a walk in the park. St. Lawrence and RPI are both strong teams this year. Our goal is to have the top runners in the meet from each class."

Awards are given out to the top rookie and the overall top runner. The Continentals have won UCAA's the last three years.

Hanson added, "UCAA's should be another good racing experience for us and we love the course at Saratoga Springs."

The meet should help prepare the team for its first home meet, the Hamilton Invitational, in which 11 teams will be competing.

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